



# Library offers a wealth of resources for students

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You've heard the horror stories. You've seen its looming presence crouched on campus. Perhaps you've even experienced its brain-numbing power.

No need to worry — UNO's University Library may be daunting, but with the right know-how and some help from the library's friendly staff, any student can find what is needed for a successful school year.

Library Technician Becky Wymer said many students believe the library is no longer useful.

"Some students believe the library isn't necessary because they think everything is on the Internet," Wymer said. "The library offers access to scholarly information, the type expected to be used at the university level."

Some also believe the library is an archaic way of gathering information.

"The truth is that libraries are constantly evolving," Wymer said. "We continuously explore cost effective approaches for increasing access to full-text resources."

One such UNO library feature is its Web page, located at <http://library.unomaha.edu>. This page is a fast way to access many resources vital to successful research.

Research Wizard, a research tool included on the Web site, "can be an invaluable resource for

easy access to indexes, books and Web sites," Wymer said.

The library page also helps simplify time-consuming tasks.

"Our library Web page provides access to a number of services such as online renewal of books, submission of electronic interlibrary loan requests, electronic reserves and remote access to full-text databases," Wymer said.

New features have recently been added to the Web site, such as a service called "Locate Journals," which identifies a journal's source and if it is available in print or electronic format.

Although these materials may be accessed on any university computer, students must register at the library circulation desk to access them off-campus.

Computers are also being updated continuously.

"Our computers now provide Office XP and Zip drives, which will accept either 100- or 250-megabyte disks," Wymer said. "Additional laptop connections to the Internet are available as well."

In the future, Wymer said more changes are expected to take place.

"A pilot information literacy program will be implemented this fall," Wymer said. "This program addresses the needs of our students to

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A UNO student takes advantage of the many services offered at University Library. The library has made several improvements since the spring semester, including the addition of new features to its Web site as well as updating the computers to provide Office XP and Zip drive capabilities.

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## 33 female students from UNO find homes on another Omaha campus

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Thirty-three female students will live on another campus while attending UNO this fall.

These women will be taking advantage of an arrangement between UNO and the nearby all-women's College of Saint Mary that allows them to live in one of CSM's three residence halls.

This arrangement has been in place for three years, Tara Mieras, director of residence life at CSM, said.

She said Tara Knudson Carl, a former UNO employee who is now the Vice President for Student Services at CSM, thought of the partnership.

One difference between this year and those past is the fact that getting from CSM, located at 1901 S. 72nd St., to UNO will be easier for students — at least temporarily.

UNO will provide a shuttle between the two campuses depending on ridership, Mieras said.

"It will be in a trial mode



Lozier Tower joins McAuley and Gallagher residence halls on the CSM campus. Thirty-three UNO students will live in CSM residence halls during the fall semester.

for two weeks," she said.

Transportation between the two campuses is not the only extra included in the \$2,100 per semester rent. Cable, local calls and all utilities are also covered by the room costs.

UNO students living at CSM can also arrange for access to CSM's library and fitness room, according to a handout from UNO's Off-Campus Housing Referral office.

Two of CSM's residence

halls, McAuley and Gallagher, are joined by the Lozier Tower, which includes a lobby and reception desk, lower-level activities area and two floors of students rooms, according to CSM's Web site at [www.csm.edu](http://www.csm.edu).

"Walsh Hall, located on the top two floors of the administration building, houses the students in the Mothers

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## Study will attempt to ease traffic congestion in Elmwood Park

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Many students will arrive at school this fall expecting improvements in UNO's traffic problem.

At the April 6 Board of Regents meeting, a resolution was approved to make way for traffic improvements in Elmwood Park.

The resolution, which was sponsored by UNO's Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance Garry Carrico, called for the construction of a roundabout in Elmwood Park.

This purposed roundabout, according to a Board of Regents addendum, would "improve the traffic flow to and from UNO during peak periods."

The resolution called for the installation of a roundabout, a project estimated to cost the NU system \$275,000, to be completed by the start of the fall semester.

However, upon discussion at the Board of Regents meeting in April, it was decided that traffic solutions other than a roundabout should be considered.

The Board of Regents decided that "a roundabout or alternative improvement in Elmwood Park"

would be made, and set aside the funds needed for such improvements, said Paul Kosel, assistant manager of traffic and campus security at UNO.

Kosel said other possible solutions include turn signals or turn lanes.

In order to decide which improvement would be the most appropriate, Campus Security, along with HDR Engineering, Inc., will conduct a series of traffic studies during the fall semester.

"There will be a lot of activity the first three weeks of school," Kosel said.

He said tubes will be in place to count cars and personnel will also stand alongside the road to observe traffic patterns.

He said people will be sitting out two to three days a week for the first part of the semester to try and find traffic patterns, such as in the ways people turn.

The surveyors will take a break after three weeks and then return mid-semester to observe the traffic patterns during a non-peak period.

After the data has been collected, Campus Security and HDR will make a recommendation to the Board of Regents as to which improvements should be made.

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## Career Center's staff small but mighty

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It does not matter if you are there to pick up a pamphlet, fulfill a class requirement or simply interview for a newspaper story.

"What are your career plans?" they ask. "Have you found an internship?"

It is like an obsession: assisting with career placement and counseling on career choices.

The obsessions? The three counselors, one director and one part-time graduate assistant of UNO's Career Center.

The Career Center, located in Eppley Hall, proudly boasts a library of nothing but career-related books and a computer center, where one can search the online job listings or create a resume through Resume Partners.

It also contains several stands of pamphlets, fliers and every other handout imaginable, and a teacher recruitment center tucked in the back.

Sound intimidating? It is, to be honest, but with some help from one of the counselors the information available can help both incoming freshmen and upperclassmen alike reach their career goals.

The Career Center has job postings for both career-related and simple money-earning jobs. As Student Employment Coordinator and Assistant Director Emily

Muckerheide says, "You might find a part-time job, you might find an internship, you might find information about jobs and businesses ... students find out where their majors fit in the workplace."

All services at the Career Center are free, with the exception of Resume Partners and teacher credential files.

Resume Partners is an online program that helps students create resumes, then forwards them to prospective employers. It can be found online at [www.careers.unomaha.edu](http://www.careers.unomaha.edu), the Web site designed by UNO student Steven Eggerling.

Teacher credential files are a service required for those going into the teaching field.

The Career Center is also responsible for the career fairs held at UNO twice each year, during the fall and spring semesters. At the fairs, students can visit with local and national employers (who they may have researched in the Career Center library to find information on the company and its salaries) and perhaps be interviewed for a position right there.

The Career Center does not neglect this part of the process, either; students can undergo mock interviews and even bring in a tape to view their performances later.



Nancy Nish, director of the Career Center, and Jamie Rose, a junior majoring in criminal justice, work on a computer in the Career Center.

photo by Jon Shaw

Even those who are not looking for a job might have to visit the Career Center. Muckerheide says many teachers require their students to visit the Career Center and speak with a counselor.

In addition to meeting with students, the counselors give presentations to classes about customized topics.

For example, one counselor last year gave a presentation on stress management and another gave one on job-related etiquette. Overall, Muckerheide says the center reached about 5,900 students in 2001.

How does the small Career Center staff handle such a load?

"We are small but we are mighty," Muckerheide says.

She encourages students to visit the

Career Center Web site, then to come in and talk to a counselor about any questions they may have.

"Sometimes it helps to talk to people," she says.

She also suggests students pick up a Mav Path handout, which gives career-related points and activities customized to UNO. Muckerheide suggests students "look at what they have already done, then pick one new thing each semester."

"It's not magic, it's a process," she adds.

The Career Center is open to all students during the summer from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and is open late on Monday nights.

For more information, contact the Career Center at 554-2333.

## Getting the full college life experience

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There are many options for housing while enrolled at college: staying at home, moving out with friends, living in the dorms or finding a place to live through UNO's Off-Campus Housing Referral program. All of these options have pros and cons. Some work better for some people than others.

When staying at home with parents, college students have the benefits of having a sense of security. With everything changing, some students would rather get used to the classes without having to adjust to moving out, like getting used to living with other people.

Another pro to living at home during college is saving money. There may be no rent and if there is rent, parents usually make it pretty cheap. You also have access to laundry

machines, as well as a supply of food.

But along with the good things, there are also some downsides.

Living at home may not allow students to get the full college effect or allow students to feel their independence. Additionally, the parents would still be in charge, with the famous saying of, "As long as you live under my roof." But for the most part, if parents are given respect, students receive it back as well.

Some students go the route of moving out with friends, whether by getting an apartment or a house.

Some positive points of moving out with friends are it allows students to get out on their own, build responsibility and feel a sense of independence. Plus, they would be able to get to decorate however they want.

But students have to be careful with this decision; moving in with

friends could cause a lot of problems. One possible problem is having to set rules all involved parties can agree on. Rent can be another problematic situation. Friends don't want to be caught in the awkward situation of one roommate missing rent while the others have to pick up the expenses. These situations can be avoided if roommates understand communication. Compromises are key elements in making it work.

Another route for students to go would be living in the dorms on campus. This option has good and bad points as well. On the plus side, students are right there on campus and can use resources and take advantage of everything on campus. The library is right there, for example, or if students forgot to ask a professor something, the professor might still be on campus.

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## Getting involved in co-curricular activities assists in the transition to college life

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What is the number one key for students to have a successful career in the future?

Barb Treadway, director of Student Organization and Leadership Programs, has the answer for all incoming UNO freshmen and those who still wander around on campus asking themselves how to make good use of their campus lives.

"I always advised student to get involved in co-curricular activities in college," Treadway said. "It enhances students' skills in leadership, social

awareness and community."

SOLP also initiates new friendships and assists in the transition to college life, according its brochure.

There are many reasons students should get involved in on-campus activities, the first being that it helps to build lifelong skills.

Student organizations offer students the chance to improve skills such as decision-making, budgeting, organizing and working with others.

The second reason is it also helps students to complement academic courses. Employers mostly look for students who are active student leaders.

The third reason is it helps students to develop social and recreational outlets. Students have the opportunity to meet new friends, share common interests with other students, staff and faculty and have fun outside the classroom.

UNO has many things to offer in the way of clubs and organizations. Among these are fraternities, sororities, Student Government, service agencies, honor societies, professional organizations, the student newspaper, the Student Programming Organization and special interests

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Katerina Dobin, a junior at UNO, checks out UNO's Learning Center. The Learning Center offers useful tools to enhance personal skills.

## Many opportunities available at UNO's Learning Center

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As our university grows steadily more competitive and we all are forced to take on increasingly larger workloads, it is nice to have someone to help relieve the stresses. Although professors are more than willing to help students with class work, catching these elusive entities outside of class can prove to be most difficult.

Then, like an oasis of knowledge in a parched desert of ignorance, UNO's Learning Center comes in for the rescue.

The mission statement, "to assist students in engaging in self-directed, goal-oriented and self-confident learning," basically says it best — the center is all about helping.

Located in the lower level of the library, the Learning Center offers a variety of services to UNO students. From specific class tutoring to general learning skills to test preparation, the Learning Center can help when others cannot. Plus, the services are absolutely free.

Some subject areas have walk-in tutoring; however, the majority necessitate

an appointment, which can be made no earlier than one week in advance.

The Learning Center offers tutoring in subjects ranging from math and sociology to Spanish and history.

Jan Leuenberger, director of the center, said the most popular functions are the writing assistance services and the math tutoring.

"With writing skills being essential to all areas of study, and with a large international student body at UNO, there is no question why it is the most requested service," Leuenberger said.

Students of all years and majors can receive help in organizing and clarifying their written works. Students can also get help proofreading and maybe even an occasional suggestion from the center's staff.

Other useful tools at the center enhance personal learning skills. Texts, videos and computer software are available to enhance a student's note taking methods, time management skills and reading efficiency level.

The Learning Center also offers some

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## HPER exercise programs help students, faculty members stay fit

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Every year thousands of freshmen will encounter it. Late night pizza and parties all add up to the dreaded "freshman 15."

To help prevent the extra 15 pounds, UNO offers free access to the Health, Physical Education and Recreation building.

HPER is a four-story exercise and classroom building on campus. Included on the four floors are racquetball courts, a track, swimming pool, classrooms and a wellness area.

Dave Daniels, assistant director for fitness, wellness and instructional programs, said in addition to the wellness facilities the building offers a variety of programs.

"There is a summer camp for kids, [HPER] also has the outdoor venture center as well as instructional programs like swing and Latin dance," Daniels said.

To help those in the UNO community stay fit this year, HPER is offering 18 different drop-in classes for students and faculty.

"This is probably the most we've ever had," Daniels said.

Cardio kickboxing, step, water exercise, circuit training, yoga and a combination of both cardio and resistance training make up some of the drop-in fitness classes, he said.

All classes are free to current students with a valid student ID.



Dennis Bartek spots Justin Taylor in the HPER weight room.

If intramurals are of interest to you, HPER has plenty.

"We do tons of intramurals," Daniels said. "There's everything: flag football, floor hockey, soccer, volleyball, basketball and softball."

HPER also offers special events such as a billiards tournament and wrestling and track competitions. All intramurals are free as well.

Mav Tracks is a special program HPER offers to students and staff. Again, anyone can join for free, Daniels said.

Mav Tracks is a program that includes lunches and lectures about different health issues such as diabetes. A Weight Watchers program is also included.

"People get certain points in this program for doing certain things like

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## Uncovering the secrets of UNO

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Institutions of higher education often distinguish themselves from their competitors to create a sense of uniqueness and unmatched professionalism.

From UNO's very beginning in 1908, there hasn't been much difference. However, *The Gateway* wanted to find out some of the lesser-known facts that make our university special, so we went to talk with the university archivist and UNO alumnus Les Valentine about its history.

One of the most interesting facts about UNO Valentine offered up in our conversation is that when it was first founded, UNO was built upon the misfortunes of the earlier founded Bellevue College, which had Presbyterian religious roots. With the Presbyterian hand somewhat guiding the university's mission and overlooking all student activities, the first "underground" school newspaper, which became known as the *YELLOW SHEET*, was birthed in the early teens.

From UNO's inception, the university not only thrived as a local college for area high school graduates to attend, it also prospered by having pride as its underlying motivation to serve the city of Omaha. It wasn't easy, and sometimes the university had to persevere in the face of great financial adversity.

The first time finances really became a factor of the "to be or not to be" dilemma for UNO was in the early 1930s when the city voted to take over the university,

leading it to become known as the Municipal University of Omaha.

It was a situation the institution would unfortunately find itself in time and time again because the next, and perhaps biggest, financial scare came in 1968 when the university was somewhat forced to merged with the state university system to keep operating.

"We were our own university, certainly there were those people who didn't want to give it up," Valentine said. "We were in dire straits there for a while. We had to join the system or close."

Some were opposed to the merger because Omaha University, as it was known at that time, already had a devoted following that thought the university would be neglected if it were to join the state system.

But there are more pleasant facts about the university that Valentine shared with *The Gateway*, such as the fact that UNO was "the only completely air conditioned university in the world" in 1938, when it moved from its original



UNO Archivist Les Valentine stands in front of one of UNO's annexes. The annexes are among the oldest buildings on campus.

photo by Chris Machan

location on 24th and Pratt streets to the present location.

Valentine also revealed UNO went to the Tangerine Bowl and won against Eastern Kentucky State, 7 to 6, and said there were mini-skirt contests in the 1970s after the school-sanctioned dress code came to an end in the spring of 1968.

He highlighted the fact that famous persons, such as *Easy Rider's* Peter Fonda were students here. He also touched on the fact that instead of being the Mavericks, as we at UNO are today, we could've ended up as

the demons, roadrunners or unicorns when the mascot made its transition from the politically incorrect Indians in 1971.

Obviously UNO has come a long way. We've gone from a young, inexperienced school with fledgling financial problems to, well, an older and better school with financial problems.

We were a school that was the pride and joy of our city and we still are today.

Some things change and with that some things need to be remembered, but one thing is for sure, UNO has its own uniqueness and is just as good, if not better, than all the other area universities.

## Your 'real' college school supplies list

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The statement "This is not high school anymore" has probably been heard a million times by incoming college freshmen. As the beginning of the fall semester nears, new students may start to ponder how to prepare themselves for this "new world."

*The Gateway* hopes to shed some light on what might help a student get through college without having a mental break down.

While at the store picking up the essential school supplies of pens, pencils, highlighters, notebooks and folders, do not forget to pick up a package of computer disks. The majority of UNO's computers are IBM formatted, one notable exception is *The Gateway* office, which runs a Macintosh network. Double-check the label on disks before buying so there is not the panic of having the wrong type of disk when you need to save your work. UNO computers will not store information on their desktops. The computers are frequently restarted and all work will be lost. Saving material is extremely beneficial for present classes and future ones as well. One assignment may help another one later on.

Another item that can help with student sanity is a voice recorder. It costs more than the average school supply (\$25-\$60) but can be well worth the price. There are often days when students do not feel like listening to the important information their professors have to offer; this is where the recorder comes in. Whether needing a power nap in class or just not being able to focus, the voice recorder listens for the student. Be sure to remember to go back and listen to the lecture later, otherwise there really is no point in taping it to begin with.

To further increase the chance of success in class, make a few friends in class. Both parties can benefit from being "study buddies." Even if a student plans on attending every class

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# Web site aims to 'fight the system'

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STAFF WRITER

*"Fighting the system."*

Those are the words on the opening page of [www.unounderground.com](http://www.unounderground.com).

The site was created on Oct. 20, 2000 by UNO student Ryan Shank, known on the Web site as Paco Loco.

According to the Web site, it was created because "UNO is a good college, but lacks college culture."

Unounderground.com is a place for students to rate classes and teachers, chat with other students and search the garage sale, where books and other items can be bought and sold.

Shank asks surfers to follow some rules when surfing the site.

He asks everyone to respect the site, to provide only accurate information, to be respectful in student discussions and chats and to not include disrespectful comments about other students and teachers.

The site allows students to know what to expect from their teachers and classes before they take the class.

It also gives students a chance to let teachers know if they did a good job.

When rating professors, students supply information such as what class was taken, what semester it was taken, the level of homework, project, test and quiz difficulties and whether they would

recommend the class to other students.

The reviews can be helpful, especially to first-year students, because it allows them access to the opinions of someone other than their academic advisers.

Students who are looking for a professor's review on the Web site but cannot find it need not worry — if the desired information isn't on the site, students can make a post requesting information about a specific class or professor.

In addition to professor reviews, the site provides a student garage sale.

This is a place where students can sell items ranging from used books to cars or anything else they're looking to unload.

Sometimes students can even find textbooks cheaper on the Web site than they can online or at UNO's bookstore.

Unounderground.com is meant for UNO students and is not involved with UNO's Student Government or any other UNO organization.

The main purpose of the site is to help current students pick which classes are



photo by Chris Machan

*Unounderground.com creator Ryan Shank is underneath UNO in a steam tunnel. While the site is not run from underground, it does provide students a forum in which to sound off about topics related to UNO.*

right for them.

According to the Web site, Shank wants to make it possible for students to be able to have a voice and express their opinions.

He updates the site as often as he can. If you have a question for Shank, you can reach him via e-mail at [pacoloco@unounderground.com](mailto:pacoloco@unounderground.com).

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### Credit cards:

## To charge or not to charge?

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One of the perils for many college students is being broke a majority of the time. In between tuition payments, university fees and personal expenses, students can find their wallets devoid of funds toward the end of the month.

In a society where instant gratification is becoming easier to obtain with each passing moment, the credit card has become a godsend for many and a financial crutch for others.

As a college student, you will without a doubt be inundated with multiple credit card offers. Some credit card companies offer sensible plans with low limits and low interest rates, while others offer plans with ridiculously high limits and high interest rates.

While credit cards help establish credit history, they are to be used with great responsibility. When used irresponsibly, your credit history is affected greatly, which heavily impacts your chance of being approved for a mortgage, car loans and other loans and forms of credit.

The Web site [www.studentmarket.com](http://www.studentmarket.com) listed some pros of using a credit card:

—You are allowed to purchase needed items and services and pay for them over time (college education, vehicle, home).

—They are more convenient and safer to carry than cash.

—They are useful in case of short-term emergencies (pizza and CDs do not count).

—They may provide you with desirable benefits such as cash back bonuses, purchase protection and frequent flier miles.

—They help establish credit history.

However, with the pros come cons, which were also listed on [www.studentmarket.com](http://www.studentmarket.com):

—Easy access to money presents a temptation to overspend and abuse your credit privilege, therefore committing too much future income to credit payments.

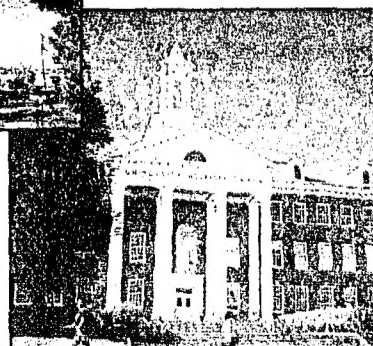
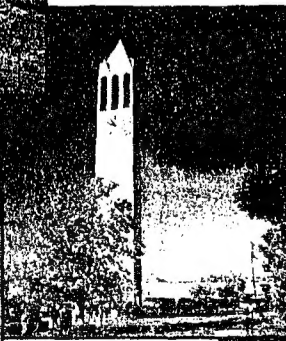
—Interest and fees can be considerably high.

—If credit card accounts are not paid as agreed, your credit history will be negatively affected for a number of years. This could affect applications for future credit.

—Available credit may offer a false sense of security and may be thought of as emergency "savings" or as a source of

## Welcome to UNO...

**The new semester is always a time of discovery and opportunity, so please take full advantage of the many activities both in the classroom and on campus.**



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The MBSC food court offers a variety of foods. Other food vendors on campus include the Maverick Buffet and convenience store.

## Oh, the places you'll eat

BETH FLYNN  
STAFF WRITER

Let's face it — being a college student, you have enough to worry about without having to worry about where you are going to grab a quick bite to eat in between classes. So how about we make this a little easier, wouldn't you like to know what UNO's food service has to offer?

One place to check out is right on the main campus in the Milo Bail Student Center. It has the Convenience Store located near the bookstore, the main food court and the Maverick Buffet located on the next level.

The Convenience Store rings true

of its name. Many mornings before work I've run in there to grab a quick breakfast, ranging from Pop-tarts and juice to muffins and bottled water. It's a great place to grab a quick snack for anyone on the go and in a hurry. Its hours are 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Moving on to the next level, you'll find the Maverick Buffet. I haven't had the chance to try the food here, so I guess you'll have to find out for yourselves. The hours starting Aug. 26 are 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. for lunch and the cost is \$5.50.

Also on the upper level of the MBSC is the food court. This court is awesome and has a good variety of food.

The stops in the court include

Cathy's Breakfast Bar, which is open from 7-10 a.m. and serves fresh fruits for 95 cents and yogurt for 75 cents.

The American Grill is open from 7 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and the prices vary.

The Kiosk Kafe is open Monday-Thursday from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. and Friday from 7 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The prices there also vary.

Aztec's is open for lunch from 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and the prices range from 75 cents to \$3.95. A variety of Mexican foods including tacos, burritos and taquitos are served.

Garden Greens is open from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and the cost is 25 cents

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## Greek life leads to lifelong friendships

JOSIE LOZA  
STAFF WRITER

When Joe Bilek first came to UNO, he knew he wanted to keep busy or get involved. But like many new students, he didn't know how to go about doing that — that is, until he was introduced to members of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

"The fraternity really challenged me to do more," he said. "I have opportunities that I probably wouldn't have had with being a single member on campus."

Now Bilek is a senior at UNO and the president of the Infraternal Council, which oversees UNO's fraternities within the council.

"Greek life is a great system," Bilek said. "We work together to do things on campus and help out the community."

This week, four sororities are joining forces to recruit new members of their organizations. The recruitment teams are made up of representatives of Sigma Kappa, Chi Omega, Zeta Tau Alpha and Alpha Xi Delta sororities.

For the recruitment week, prospective members will spend time with each of the four sororities. They will participate in social activities and learn more about the organization.

"It's a get to know you week," said Kelly Moran, president of Sigma Kappa.

The event is for the chapter and its new members to see which organization they feel comfortable with, Moran said. When a new member joins the organization, it is a mutual agreement between the sorority and the member.

Moran said her organization has made her a more well-rounded person. She has been involved with the sorority for four years and said the sisterhood has helped her throughout college.

"I couldn't imagine going through college without being a greek," she said.

Recruitment for each fraternity is different, Bilek said. For his fraternity, members are sought out in August. The recruits spend time over the summer with fraternity

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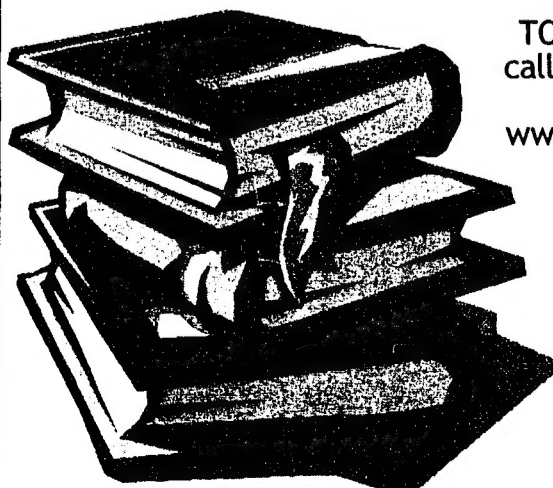
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## SHS provides free medical care, treatments

KRISTIN ZAGURSKI  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

If allergies, the flu or even a mild cold have you feeling under the weather, you might not have to leave campus to get the medical care you need.

Student Health Services, located in the Milo Bail Student Center, has a physician on-site 20 hours per week during the fall semester. Nurses are always on-site during the clinic's operating hours, which are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Students can also receive any in-stock, over-the-counter medications, such as treatments for cold and flu, headache, stomachache, menstrual cramps, bee stings



Marcia Adler of Student Health Services gives a shot to Miwa Naito.

and rashes, at no charge.

On-site lab tests, which include confidential or anonymous HIV tests, STD tests, Strep A throat cultures, mononucleosis tests, urinalyses, complete blood counts and TB Mantoux skin tests, are also done free of charge.

However, students will be billed for some services, such as x-rays, outside reference lab tests, prescription medications and vaccines.

Walk-ins are accepted at SHS, but will involve a wait, as walk-in patients are served on a first come,

first served basis.

If you are able to plan in advance, appointments can also be made. Appointments can reduce the wait time for non-urgent problems.

Appointments can be made by calling SHS at 554-2374.

The clinic's services go beyond the

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Which one will you choose?

## School vs. social life

JOSH BASHARA  
STAFF WRITER

It's one of the oldest obstacles in the history of higher education. It's been the downfall of college students across the board, from freshmen to seniors. It has many guises and more often than not it strikes the killing blow before you ever see it coming.

No matter what the circumstance, the outcome remains the same: if you let your social life dwarf your school life, you're doomed to fail.

Although a problem for all students, freshmen seem to have a higher risk of letting their studies slip out from under them.

When you graduate from high school, there is a sense of freedom and accomplishment that will rival any other for the rest of your life. Many kids express this newfound independence with balls-out partying throughout the summer after graduation. When fall comes around and it's time to start college, many students never quite descend from that level of revelry.

Holding on to the same sleeping and social habits from summer, students eventually realize — often too late — what it takes to succeed in college.

Waking up at the crack of noon definitely isn't it. A huge (and grossly underrated) factor in going to school is actually going to school. Lots of freshmen hear stories about the independent nature of college. One of the biggest misconceptions about college life is that you don't have to go to class.

Sure, you don't have to go. No one is going to give you a detention or reprimand

you in any way — the school will be happy to take your money either way. To actually pass a class, though, you have to start by at least showing up. There are some professors and departments that even require you not to miss a certain number of days or points will be taken off your final grade.

"Just go to class," Mike Skinner, a senior at UNO says. "Go to all your classes and just take notes, you'll do fine."

It's tempting to go to bed at 4 a.m. and not wake up until noon but almost any second-year student or older will tell you the most important thing in passing is to show up to class. Even if your first class starts at 1 p.m., it's a good idea to wake up relatively early and come to school — this gives you time to study and helps make sure you'll get to class on time.

Juggling work and school can be a difficult game in itself, especially if you're one of those unlucky souls who has to work and attend school both full-time. Add in a vibrant social life and you're probably down to three hours of sleep a night.

So what to do? You want to have fun while you're in college, but you also don't want to graduate an eighth-year senior.

Senior Nick Benton says there is only one answer: "One or the other, either don't study or don't have a social life. There's no gray area."

Another possible solution lies in prioritization.

You have to be able to have the self-discipline to judge what you can and can't get away with. Sure, it'd be fun to go out with your friends tonight and party, but with

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## A degree or an education?

I was up late one night last week editing a new writer's story on the Web site [www.unounderground.com](http://www.unounderground.com).

Having only visited the site a couple of times in passing, I decided to give it a more in-depth run over to make sure the cub reporter had her facts straight.

I ended up disheartened, but it wasn't the reporter's fault — it was because of some of the teacher reviews I read.

I want to start off by saying I have had some great teachers at UNO — ones who've presented the material in such an animated way that I really looked forward to class each day (well, almost each day), because I knew I was going to learn something fascinating.

I have also, unfortunately, had teachers on the complete opposite end of the spectrum — teachers who after I got done taking their class (and passing

with an easy A in each instance) left me feeling cheated because I did not learn anything. I mean, isn't that why we are all here, to learn?

Upon reaching the site, I first checked out some of my favorite teachers to make sure none of them had gotten a bad rap online and needed my help in gaining redemption.

Most of my favorite teachers had ratings posted about them (mostly good, with a few bad ones mixed in), but some of them had none at all. When I get the time I will do something to help them out.

That isn't what bothered me so much — it is what was said about those

### Partly Sunny



Kristin Zagurski

teachers who left me feeling disappointed at the end of the semesters.

I'm not going to name any names (after all, I still have a few semesters left at UNO and wouldn't want to get stuck in the class of a teacher I'd publicly slandered in print — plus I'd have lawsuits to worry about) but I will provide a few examples.

I searched the last name of the first teacher after whose class I felt I had simply paid for a grade — nothing else of value.

There were many reviews for this teacher, so I pulled one up at random.

"I didn't really learn much in this class except that it's easy," the student

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## Pacta Sunt Servanda

The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women is finally being considered for ratification by the Senate.

The treaty made it past the Foreign Relations Committee over the objection of the Bush administration. The United States has been dragging its feet on accession to this important treaty since it was signed in 1980. Remarkably, even Saudi Arabia ratified the treaty in 2000, with some reservations. Afghanistan also signed the treaty but never ratified it.

Unfortunately, the United States, following in the footsteps of Saudi Arabia and a few other countries, is not prepared to ratify the treaty without reservations.

Still, this is a modest step in the right direction as we respond to a global demand for progress on a range of human rights issues. Recently, however, the United States set a bad example by refusing to consider, even undermining the new torture treaty.

The United States is also resisting international pressure to join the treaty that created the International Criminal Court. This treaty created a permanent international tribunal to prosecute war crimes and crimes against humanity. The United States is not only refusing to sign the treaty, it is also opposed to the idea in principle. The fear is that our commanders and soldiers could one day become subject to the jurisdiction of an international court.

As saddening as this position may be, the consensus on these issues seems to be growing and gaining momentum, even without U.S. backing. Human rights standards, while largely aspirational in nature, are beginning to translate into concrete steps by the international community.

Another issue the United States has been dodging is the death penalty. Voices on the international arena are challenging this practice on the ground that it has or will soon become illegal under customary international law. As more states abandon this practice, a global abolition on the peine de mort can eventually become binding on the U.S. Whether we will acknowledge the law or assent, as we should, to the will of the international community is another matter. Even Turkey, a state notorious for human rights abuses, has declared a ban on the death penalty in a bid to conform to European Union standards as a prospective member.

On the domestic front, many have been arguing that the death penalty violates the Eighth Amendment ban on cruel and unusual punishment.

The Supreme Court had long ago described the cruel and unusual prohibition as an evolving standard. The interpretation of the Eighth Amendment can thus change to reflect our social and humanitarian norms. A recent victory in this area is a decision this year banning the death penalty for certain mentally deficient criminals. Again, a small but promising step forward.

In our constantly changing world, globalization, communication and other advances have led to a decline of the notion of sovereign immunity.

Countries can no longer do as they please within their borders as the reach of international law expands. It is even arguable that this pattern began shortly after the peace of Westphalia in 1648, which heralded the creation of modern nation-states after the Thirty-Years-War. The modern nation-

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### De Novo



Basel Kasaby

## A rough start to a long journey

It was hard for me to figure out what was giving me the most discomfort: the cold, the feat of dietary engineering I sampled on my flight into Amsterdam or the fact that a blue-eyed man in a blue suit had taken my passport into a hastily convened assembly of his fellow blue-suited comrades in a bid to determine if

death was my father, if my mother was destruction or whether the buttons on my suit were micro-nukes ... were my documents genuine? Was I who I said I was? Where did I get my college funds? My bank statement was in my own name? Hmm ... we'd better look through this, they thought.

I was rather amused by their deliberations — so urgent, so earnest; the air of officiousness with which they

### Coming to America



Fisayo Adejigbe

conducted themselves made me chuckle.

Could it be they figured I was going to get their faces on CNN or something? Nah, that was probably too extreme.

In the next moment, the cluster of blue that had gathered round the entrance to the gate dispersed and blue eyes came back to the checking post,

where he had left me.

He fumbled with my documents and tried to arrange them properly. Stubbornly they refused to be handled by him, obstinately peeping out at odd angles and sticking out their tongues (a peaceful demonstration for document rights).

As I expected, he gave up and handed me my documents. His blue eyes spoke to me, "So your documents

are misarranged. What are you going to do about that?"

My eyes replied, "Do you have arthritis in your fingers? And don't look so nervous ... I only bite when I'm hungry."

A slit in his face parted, revealing teeth that I guessed had probably been a little bit too friendly with chocolate. I saw movements in his throat and heard, "Thank you and have a pleasant time flying Northwest Airlines."

Documents went into my extra large briefcase, my feet bore me forward, past the guardians of the gate, past a man with a little metal thing that he swiped all over my body.

What was he looking for? Off came my belt. I spun around; he swiped and swiped again.

Did he think I was the Terminator? I thought about that for a moment and then decided that wasn't probably the thought running through his mind.

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## Life, liberty and the pursuit of knowledge

In the world in which we live today, I feel uncertain of what will become of our generation. I look at the news and all I see is scandal, controversy, uncertainty and sensationalism. Our leaders and newsmakers create stories that further strengthen our insecurities and offer no solutions to the skepticism that surrounds us. What are we supposed to do when our leaders appear just as bemused?

Taking into the consideration the age old dilemma of what are we living for and what do we have to look forward to, I propose we become more assertive and pursue knowledge as our own generation. Let's not get lost in this time of confusion and uncertainty. Now more than ever we need to band together as a strong generation for the sake of our future instead of fighting and holding grudges. It's time to get serious.

We have a cowboy as President whose brain is cluttered with mixed emotions regarding the aftermath of Sept. 11. He, as many Americans do, wants a little revenge for what was done to our country but the only problem is

we don't know what to do about it.

If we continue with our plan of fighting terrorism, whom do we consider terrorists? Is Saddam Hussein a terrorist because he won't conform to U.N. weapons inspection regulations? Will he be the scapegoat of Sept. 11 because he is the most visible enemy of the U.S. at this time? It appears so.

We can't find Osama bin Laden and things are starting to boil. Our President is squirming, preoccupied with corrupt corporate executives who are obliterating people's life savings with horrific acts of financial abuse and after all that, he's worrying about getting himself re-elected instead of what will happen to our country.

We are heading down a road with an uncertain end and because we have always been well taken care of and have

### Jambalaya



Brandon Clogston

always had what we wanted and needed but I can't help but worry about our future.

The terrorists have succeeded to a certain extent because they have changed our way of life by transforming a generation of Americans, once sincere and pure, into a generation of skeptics looking for answers in leaders who offer none.

It should be known that I offer no solutions to our predicament. Rather I am urging the students, faculty, staff and whoever else may be reading this column to pursue truth and be as informed and certain as they can of what is coming.

Read articles in the papers and look for the opinions present, look for sensationalized material, be empathetic to not only our officials for being in the

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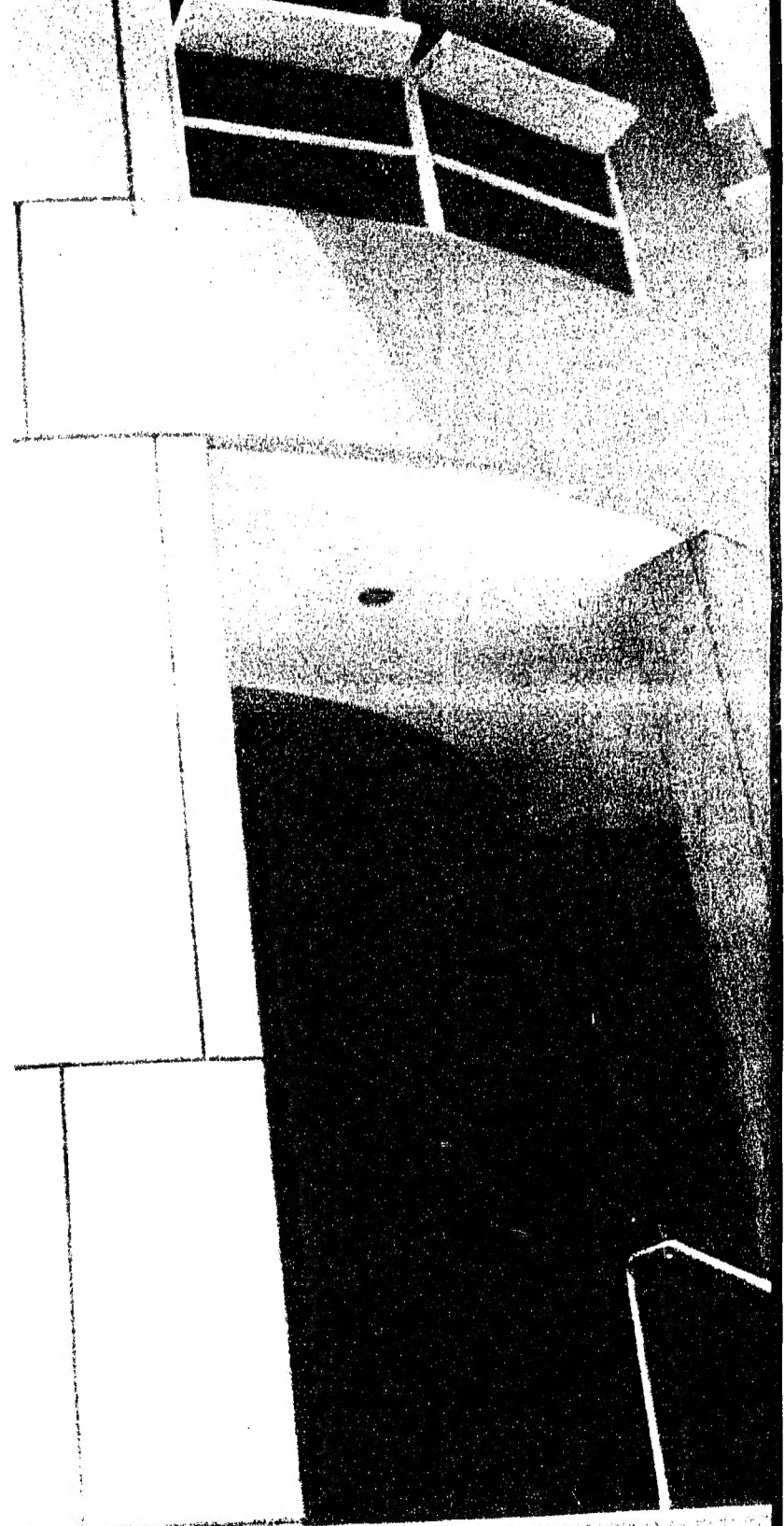
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# Grab your superhero lunchbox and become part of the non-traditional, kid-toting crowd

Let's talk kids

Jennifer Mullins

Have you ever come home to compare notes with your 6-year-old, competing to see who had the better day at school? Have you reached into your book bag for your textbook and come up with a tattered copy of Dr. Seuss' *Green Eggs and Ham*? Or have you found yourself the odd one out when you mentioned to your study group that you can't meet on a particular day because you can't find a babysitter? You aren't alone.

I am the mother of two and married to a wonderful man. However, I am often a single mom managing the home life while my husband is overseas serving in the U.S. Air Force. My 5-year-old daughter will be starting kindergarten this year and my 2-year-old son attends full-time care at a daycare center. I am beginning on my 11th year of college and hoping to graduate next May with a bachelor's degree in Public Relations. Talk about the non-traditional student.

I can certainly sympathize with all of my non-traditional peers. Not all of us are parents; some of us are returning students after years of career experience. Others are students who have just had life get in the way. We aren't crippled, we just aren't traditional. In some way we add a little spice to every class with unique and

different perspectives.

I don't believe it hit me that I was a non-traditional student until my husband was sent to Saudi Arabia during the spring semester. I had been taking evening courses so I could continue to do home daycare during the day and stay home with my youngest child. Suddenly I was forced to look for evening daycare (which was virtually impossible to find) and figure out how I was going to attend study groups while I was the single parent for two to three months. For those of you out there who are single parents, I have nothing but the deepest respect for you.

To be a student you must have balance, compromise, confidence, faith, perseverance and determination. Being a parent and a student requires an added amount of these. A parent must balance between finishing that term paper and getting your kids fed. A parent must compromise whether you are going to pay a sitter to take your kid to school so you can take that 7 a.m. class or fit the class into the next semester so your child can have the pleasure of you taking them to school. A parent needs confidence that even though you have a huge jelly stain on your shirt from your kid using you as a napkin as she hugged you before running to school, your peers will still take you seriously. Faith is needed in a daycare provider or family member to be there when you cannot; perseverance is

necessary to keep going even when things seem too difficult to go on. Determination means getting through the most difficult class you are taking even if it means you only get a C.

The reward for being the most determined and dedicated parent and student you can be is not just the degree at the end of the long 10 or so years of plugging away at courses. Your reward is the proud little face you see at the end of every day. To your child you are a superhero. You work hard to model the importance of education. You show what it means to do your best at everything you try and that nothing is impossible if you decide that is what you want to do. It may not seem like anyone is watching you and learning or appreciating everything you do but you can be sure there is.

So grab yourself a superhero lunch box, give yourself a big pat on the back and get over those first day of school jitters. You've got an example to set. When you think you just can't do it anymore open a *Gateway* and see what inspiration I can pass on. I'll be here every other week to pat you on the back and remind you we are a non-traditional crowd that keeps on ticking. (Can you tell I'm a Public Relations major?)

Until next time, as my daughter always says, "See ya later, alligator!"

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Speed Bump

Dave Coverly



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positions they are in but also to our "enemies." And when it's time to go to the polls and use our opinions as best as they can be used, let's use our knowledge to have a say in what will be. If we do not use our voice, we do not rightfully have the privilege to complain.

I realize my pleading for a little responsibility may be dismissed and categorized as extreme and unpopular but how many of us are willing to say something about our world in relation to not only the U.S. but our state and even our university? Bottom line is, it's a changing world and we are entering it whether we like it or not. Our opinions and beliefs are being taken into consideration more and more and it's important to know what we want and need.

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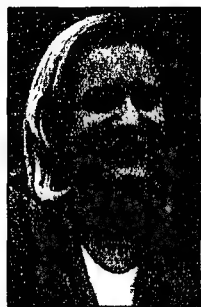
# E!'s new reality show a wreck

Since many television stations have multiple reality shows, it is no surprise E! decided to jump onto the "real life" bandwagon. The channel's newest addition to its lineup is *The Anna Nicole Show*. The show is yet another rip-off of another rip-off of another rip-off, etc., etc.

E!'s new program is most often compared with *The Osbournes*. I would even go so far as to say *The Anna Nicole Show* is a direct rip-off of the MTV celebrity real world. Simply follow around a well-loved celebrity with cameras and capture the hijinx that ensue and voila, TV magic. The success formula worked for MTV's show, so why not for E!, right? Wrong, E! miscalculated.

Anna Nicole has never really been much of a celebrity. She has had brief fleeting moments in the limelight due to her former pin-up career and her controversial marriage to an 89-year-old oil tycoon but

Smile and nod



Sarah Meedel

she has never really been a superstar.

Maybe the 1993 Playmate of the Year has been lusted after but as far as well-loved by adoring fans, not so much. I doubt that young girls around the world say "I want to be just like Anna Nicole Smith with I grow up." If I ever heard that, I would recommend the girl's parents seek psychological therapy for their child immediately.

Despite an overwhelming aura of white trash surrounding Smith, there is still a chance her show will be successful. Previews for the second episode boast the first episode debuted No. 1 for a cable sitcom reality show. America seems to like watching out-of-it people stumble about through their daily lives; maybe the trend will continue.

For those who missed the buxom blonde's television premiere, I'll provide a quick run down. It all began with Smith

searching for a new home.

Apparently she got dressed thinking the sleazier she looked, the better the deal she would receive. Smith showed up to the real estate agent's office wearing a ruffled pink shirt with an extremely low neck line, blue jeans, pink high heels, large sunglasses and peacock blue eye shadow and ruby red lipstick slapped onto her face. All that glamour just to shop for a house?

What was even more glamorous was the way she slurred her words. Even though the producers of the show had chosen to put Smith's microphone way to close to her mouth, it was impossible to hear her at times. Subtitles were available on occasion for translation. If only a little bit more consideration had been taken to edit the sounds of Smith chewing loudly and breathing heavily.

While touring one of the houses, Smith enters a pink bedroom. Squealing with delight she flops on the bed stating, "Piiiink! Frilly pink, my favorite color! I love it!" Then she proceeds to hump the bed face down, once finished with that she grabs the

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state may have been predestined, from its inception, to be constantly eroding. Granted, the nation-state as we know it will not disappear anytime soon.

The boundaries of its sovereignty, however, are slowly shrinking.

The sooner we recognize this changing nature of the world order and adapt to it, the more likely we are to survive the tumultuous era ahead. As certain states are vying for extreme defiance of the delicate consensus on human rights issues, the problem becomes ever more pressing. If we are to preserve any semblance of a viable world order, we need to play by the rules, whether we make them. At the same time, we ought not to make rules and exempt ourselves from them. Otherwise, our proclamations of democracy and human rights will soon start falling on deaf ears. We depend on world stability for our growth and prosperity. To achieve it, force alone would be a costly approach in terms of money as well as conscience.

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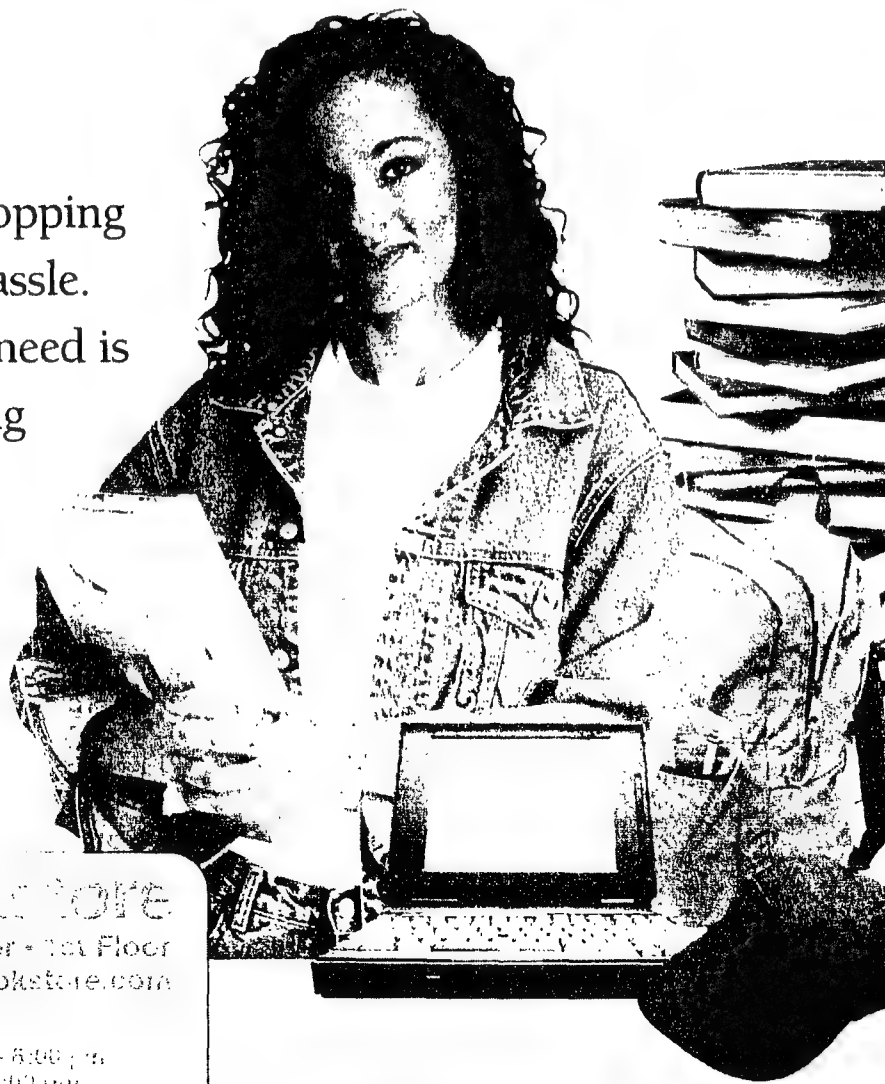
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## SLAMMED!: Local Web site unites musicians, artists and bored people

HOLLY LUKASIEWICZ  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

For those who linger in a state of purgatory for a fix of culture and the arts around Omaha, the Web site at SLAM Omaha expedites the purging process.

For the past five years, SLAM, an anagram for Support Local Art and Music, has acted as a haven for the wandering souls in search of "the scene." A quick visit to [www.slamomaha.com](http://www.slamomaha.com) and you are linked with a plethora of information on bands performing around the area, art shows and a photo album of past events.

By far the most attractive draw is the message board, with a 24-7 subculture of society conversing, which has carried over to real life as people refer to one another by their SLAM usernames.

Since its inception, SLAM has put on several benefit concerts and raised over \$15,000 for local organizations, including Youth Street Outreach, the American Cancer Society and YMCA.

Mick Messina, one of SLAM's founders, says the site was formed to have and promote shows. The community art show, Virtual Prozac, was SLAM's first show before the Web site's existence — from there the idea snowballed.

"The idea was to have a focus point or a funnel because all those 'scenes' everywhere are segregated," Messina says. "What I think we've done, or hope we've done, is brought it all on an even playing field and let everyone see what's out there."

Work, friends and appreciation of talent brought the SLAM founders together.

Messina says the birth of SLAM stemmed from his love of music and his artist-friend, Ryan Doyle, who created the SLAM logo; Doyle has since left SLAM. Mike "Bubba" Suiter "took it to the next level" and now maintains the vital roles of programming and sound upkeep.

Melissa Infield coordinates the art calendar portion of the site and enterprises the continued success of Visual Prozac,



Mick Messina, a founder of SLAM Omaha, and Melissa Infield, who coordinates SLAM's calendar, show their SLAM pride with stickers.

while Messina busies himself with the music calendar upkeep.

The reason SLAM has grown so much, Messina says, has been the support of the bands.

"They embraced it," he says. "They're the ones with word-of-mouth that made it work because we just put the stuff out there. They're the ones who formed how to use it. It's their site — they're the ones who keep that message board going, or the ones who e-mail us and say they want to see this on there or this calendar date."

Messina says the site has become a community.

"If you don't know what's going on around town, it's easy to say there's nothing to do in Omaha," he says. "If you go to SLAM, we kind of prove them wrong. There's stuff out there for everybody. Music, art, culture — it's not that hard to find. If you use it right you can find the kind of music you like or the kind of people to hook up with."

"It's weird to think there's people I don't know who use the site because I still feel like there's 10 people on there," he says.

The numbers prove otherwise. According to an e-mail from Suiter, the site

The following are statistics taken from the Web site [www.slamomaha.com](http://www.slamomaha.com).

- 65 percent of users are male and 35 percent are female
- 70 percent have a college education or have taken some college courses
- 70 percent go out at least once a week and 31 percent go out multiple times per week
- 86 percent are single
- 80 percent of the Web site users are between the ages of 18-34
- Visitors return to the site frequently and the message boards are the most active online community in Omaha

had over 170,000 visitors and 1.5 million page views in July alone.

In the future, SLAM's non-business-like attitude toward growth and continued promotion of bands and artists

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## The official Gateway 'How Am I Going To Do At UNO This Year?' quiz

BEN COFFMAN  
STAFF WRITER

If this is at least your second year at UNO, you know how it is — the first few weeks of class are packed with fresh-faced students eagerly chatting with friends, the parking crisis is in full effect, the sidewalk is a sea of bodies slowly drifting to class — it just seems like there's too damned many students on campus.

But within a month the student body starts to look a little lean, if you know what I mean. Many overcrowding problems work themselves out through academic Darwinism.

You know the "lower-on-the-academic-food-chain type."

He's the guy with the fat Trapper Keeper next to you in your Astronomy class who asks you, "Is this Iowa Western?"

She's the pretty brunette who stands up in the middle of a Food Science lecture and announces to the class, "I declare my major to be Education!"

He's the guy who thinks all college administrators are named "Dean."

She's the girl who gets judo, yoga and yogurt confused. So here's a perfectly simple test to predict if you'll be one of the surviving fittest at the end of the semester.

I mean, you can't rely on your friends to tell you you're dumb, but your friends at *The Gateway* will.

You're welcome.

1) When I receive homework from a professor, I —

- do it as soon as I receive it.
- always have it completed by the time it's due.
- am reminded of its existence when other classmates ask, "Did you do the homework?"
- lose it before I even take a look at it.

2) I would best describe my academic record as —

- perfect, like me.
- slightly flawed, but I do well in the classes I'm interested in.
- a little scratched, but it still plays on mom's record player.
- what does "academic" mean again?

3) Magna cum laude best describes —

- my graduation goals.
- a foreign phrase similar to "que sera sera."
- my significant other when we have hot and wild monkey sex on Friday night.
- foreign words that I'll never, ever understand.

4) Students from other countries —

- are able to share their culture with me and enrich my college experience.
- are often hot and have sexy accents.
- scare me.
- are often able to help me in my English Comp classes.

5) My textbooks are —

- worth keeping after the class is over.
- long and boring to read.
- gonna bring me some beer money as soon as I sell them back.
- not my *notebooks*, right? Cause I always get those confused.

6) If my mind were an inanimate object, it would be —

- a steel trap.
- a rusty steel trap.
- Swiss cheese.
- an ounce-sized moldy Jell-O shot.

7) 4.0 is —

- my grade point average.
- my grade point average goal.
- a little bit weaker than the beer I usually drink, but

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# Dispelling myths about the college experience

COLUMN BY  
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TV, movies and older siblings have all painted a rich tapestry of what college is like. Unfortunately, most of what they told you is not true. Rather than finding out the cruel realities of college life on your own, you can read this and be prepared. But, if you like to live in denial, then please turn to the sports section.

## 1. College is just like high school but you can smoke on campus.

Before you start into a nicotine fit, let me clarify you can smoke in college. But college offers much more than increased opportunities for lung cancer. You can set your own class schedule. Sure, you could do this to an extent in high school, but now you are technically a student as long as you take one class. This greatly increases the amount of quality time you can spend with your boy/girlfriend or Playstation 2.

Also, there is no detention for not doing your work or skipping class. Instead, the teachers just fail you, which is much better than cleaning chalkboards after school.

## 2. Everyone you meet is an intelligent, enlightened person.

Many enter college thinking they have just entered a world like Thomas More's *Utopia*. Unfortunately, just like in high school and the rest of the world, college is filled with jerks and close-minded people. Fortunately, the ratio of those people compared to open-minded people is now the lowest it will ever be in your life, so enjoy it.

## 3. You will get laid every day.

Hollywood movies have us believing that even losers will get some companionship. So not true. You may not even get laid each semester or degree even.

## 4. You need to have your career planned out before you get there.

Chances are, while you're here, you'll meet one of "them." One of those people who once they graduated high school had their entire college career planned out for them. They also have a job lined up where they will make more than the gross national product of your family. Going to class is a formality in the long-term plan of these geniuses. Don't let them intimidate you. What you need to realize is that at some point you are going to find something you like doing. Once you have that figured out you need to figure out how to make a living off it. Until that moment of enlightenment comes, try pushing one of those geniuses down the stairs when they aren't looking.

## 5. You don't have to go to class.

Don't forget the purpose of your mission. Although you can no longer get into trouble for skipping classes, you still need to go once in a while. If you don't, you don't get a degree. No one is going to be impressed by your almost degree. Even though you may have gone more years than someone with an associate's degree, it still doesn't count.

## 6. Most people finish in four years.

Lots of people don't go to college more

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# Finish your dinner, there are poor children starving in college

COLUMN BY  
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Welcome to college, a magical place where poor and hungry go hand in hand. You're finally tasting freedom, but you're doing it on an empty stomach. Fortunately, there are ways to avoid famine while in college.

Food always tastes better when it's free and, of course, it's much cheaper that way. You need to save your money for something more important like alcohol (assuming you're 21) or books (assuming you study).

Shopping at home can be a mouthwatering option. Enjoy a selection of fine boxed and frozen meals, canned goods, mom's tasty leftovers and more. It'll taste just like homemade, because it is.

Unfortunately, many parents don't appreciate this option nearly as much as students do, thus you have to be sly. Don't start emptying your parents' cupboards and filling your backpack right in front of them. This will only incite a lecture, and who wants that?

Raid the fridge little by little. It looks more natural that way, like maybe your younger, homebound sibling just got the munchies. Besides, if you take too much at once, it might just go bad before you get the chance to eat it.

If your parents only eat fried meat and hard cookies, this is not an option. Some

parents just aren't *Iron Chefs* and college is your chance to escape the horrors of deep fat fried steak and cottage cheese a la mode.

Fortunately, there are more free food options.

Campus organizations often offer free food at their activities. Where and when you can obtain this food is often advertised in *The Gateway* (also free). If you're not fortunate enough to find a *Gateway*, you may need to just keep your eyes peeled for signs around the student center. The menu usually includes pizza, hot dogs or sloppy joes. Caution: depending on who is sponsoring the event, you may have to convert religions before enjoying a savory bite.

Condiments, napkins and plastic silverware are at your disposal in the student center. You paid your tuition, now enjoy the fringe benefits — free ketchup! Another freebie available in the student center is water. No, I don't mean the overpriced bottled stuff. On principle, one should never pay for water. Maybe buy it once for the cool bottle but after that it's free refills via the drinking fountain.

Your first semester at college doesn't have to see you reverting to a hunter-gatherer existence. You just have to keep your eyes open on when and where to score sustenance. If you're careful enough, you can turn the legendary "freshman 15" into a gain, not a loss.

# Let art enlighten your soul

HOLLY LUKASIEWICZ  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Tired of spending a fourth of your paycheck on movies, skanky dance clubs and the even meatier meat market bars supervised by over-stuffed bouncers who take the intimidation factor of their jobs a couple calibers too seriously? Test the waters of a new scene, like that of an early Friday or Saturday evening spent at an art opening at one of the many galleries around Omaha.

One of the many definitions of the term gallery is that of an underground tunnel or passageway. And so the galleries seeded around Omaha serve as an underground means, a passageway, if you will, to new understandings and a broader sense of appreciation for the stillness and movement the visual arts afford.

The visual arts are a part of our culture that is inescapable, so you might as well suck it up and like 'em. If you haven't noticed already, Omaha's growing art scene can sooth your taste for the hip and satisfy your look with images extrapolated from the beautifully complicated, crooked and sometimes naughty mind.

Seek it out for yourself, you won't be sorry.

But even before you'd like to blemish the thought with a "no," *The Gateway's* gone ahead and compiled a list of area art galleries for you.

Now that you have no excuse but a bout of laziness and ignorance, read on, be enlightened and maybe Simon will extend an invitation to join him for some draw-ring time.

Aside from that, Leslie Prisbell, art editor of *The Reader*, Omaha's alternative newsweekly, shared her thoughts via e-mail on the art scene and galleries around Omaha. As an educated and creative person, the art



photo by Chris Machan

UNO Professor Larry Bradshaw is the volunteer director at Period Gallery, located at 5174 Leavenworth St.

lover says a Saturday night spent on a "gallery crawl" making her way to each art opening was her idea of an ideal evening.

"A tangible energy electrifies each one," she says. "From the expansive Hot Shops Art Center (1201 Nicholas St., 346-7962), with its many studios winding around each floor to the small but sexy Medusa Project (16th & Harney streets, 955-0418) which centers on up-and-coming artists that otherwise might not be exhibited."

With this in mind, mark your calendars for the upcoming art openings as the beginning of September approaches.

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# Branching out

## Where to study on campus?

JOSIE LOZA  
STAFF WRITER

Instead of falling onto a couch with the TV or radio blaring in the background and schoolbooks slipping off the side of your lap, it would be wise for incoming students to find a designated study space where they can hide away when it's time to hit the books.

Looking for an efficient and comfortable study sanctuary, however, may be a bit difficult for students who don't quite know all the nooks and crannies of campus yet.

A proper study environment on campus is crucial for success in the classroom. Although there isn't a particular place better suited to studying, what is important is that the area be secluded, quiet and free of distractions and interruptions.

Naturally, for many the library comes to mind.

"The only place I really go is the library," said Monica Mora, a senior majoring in social work. "I can't study in the student center. I don't go in there expecting to study."

Mora said for her major she has a lot reading to do and gets easily distracted when near friends.

Even though certain areas of the Milo Bail Student Center are filled with good conversations, there are hidden places to get some hardcore studying done.

Some students are able to work productively with other things going on. On the main level of the center, there are various lounging areas filled with plush couches. Comfortable, yet semi-quiet.

Sturdy desks and tables are located through out the entire campus for your enjoyment. So, if you see an empty



photo by Kresy Vogel

*Linda Ferguson finds time to study in the lower level of Arts and Sciences Hall. The study lounge there has vending machines and a microwave so students can snack while they study.*

classroom, take advantage of it. Many classrooms are vacant and provide a good study environment.

Whether you study right before or after class, establish a study schedule and stick to it.

How much time should be allotted for studying depends on the course level. You should average one or two hours of study time per day. Make sure to take a 10- to 15-minute break every 45 minutes.

Opinions varied on how background noise, such as soft music, affects your concentration.

"I need a quiet place to study," Mora said. "If you don't, you'll be distracted and won't get the work done."

### Check out these five study areas:

1. The quiet level of the library, the third floor — its packed with desks, tables and isolated study rooms students can check out.

2. Milo Bail Student Center, second floor, near student chapel — crash on some of the couches along the side of the hallway.

3. Arts and Sciences Hall, second or third floor — quiet lounges to get some quick reading done.

4. Allwine Hall, third floor — two lounges across from each other filled with sturdy tables and plush couches.

5. Rosken's Hall, second level — small study area with chairs and a of couple desks. Even though it is small in size, the room has excellent lighting.



*Amanda Hassler, a senior geology major, studies on the upper level of the library. This level is designated the quiet floor and has many desks and tables that students can study at.*

## A few ways an hour at l

JOSH BASHARA  
Staff writer

Try as we might, our classes won't always logically cohesive as we'd like them to be. It's given that at least once a semester you'll have to kill between class.

Of course, studying is an obvious (and resp to fill the void, although it is not very entertain relieving. Sometimes schoolwork isn't an optio lull in your workload. For those times when yo to hit the books, distraction is only a stone's th

The food court, located on the upper leve Bail Student Center, is the social epicenter Almost everyone finds him or herself there a during the day, either for a quick snack or jus and chill with friends. A myriad of different ty are available if you're hungry, with deck-style able outside overlooking the MBSC plaza.

"One of my favorite pastimes is to hang o cony and look down for hot chicks," sopl Kinman says.

If you're feeling a little lighthearted, try ou center game room, located next to the informati tables, video games and pinball are available fo ment; change machines for games are also avai ATM right outside.

The Fireside Lounge, also located in the s provides a nice atmosphere to casually socia especially during brisk winter days. It's also a for students to catch a quick nap.

"This is where I like to sleep when I'n Melissa Harvey, a junior.

If the Fireside Lounge doesn't lull you int there's always other places to find.



*A group of UNO students finds time betw Bowl. The Pep Bowl is often filled with rec Frisbee and touch football to fill the voids*



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## ways to kill your at UNO

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I like to sleep when I'm tired," says nior. ounge doesn't lull you into dreamland, places to find.



Derick N. Njawe works on a project at Kinko's near 72nd and Dodge streets. Students can go to the copy shop before or between classes to finish up assignments or to print off documents with their high-quality printers.

photo by Josh Williamson

"I go to sleep upstairs, because there's couches up there," says senior Nick Benton, referring to the upper level of the student center.

A word of advice though: the student center is not always the quietest place to study during the early afternoon.

If the great outdoors is more your speed, don't think it's not an option for between class rendezvous.

Outside activities can be enjoyed year-round at UNO. During the spring, summer and early fall, students can be found tossing around footballs, Frisbees and the occasional freshman (just kidding). Go outside and enjoy the weather — play tag or hide-and — you might as well regress a little to your childhood to give yourself a break from those 15-hour semesters. When it's cold and snowy out, go build a snowman. Just watch out for an occasional snowball whizzing past your head.

If all this isn't able to hold your 10-second attention span, you can hop in your car and look for fun off campus. One major drawback to leaving campus between classes is that you will have to relinquish your parking stall. You'll want to give yourself plenty of time to return, because you might spend 15 minutes looking for another one of the coveted and rare UNO parking spots when you get back.

Family Fun Center, Omaha's largest arcade, is only a couple blocks west of UNO on Dodge Street. During the afternoons, the arcade is fairly empty, so you'll have place pretty much all to yourself. It's the perfect place to blow five bucks and an hour.

Practically next door lies Wherehouse Music and Kinko's, where you can either pick up the some CDs or get some last-minute printing and copying done.

Only a couple more blocks up the street is Borders at

72nd and Dodge streets. A great place to find a magazine or that new book or DVD that just came out, Borders is also a great place to study and have a bite to eat. If Borders doesn't clean out all your cash, the Crossroads Mall is right across the street for all your shopping needs. Think of it: all of your holiday



photo by Josh Williamson

UNO student R. Evan Blakley sinks a putt at Family Fun Center's mini-golf course. Sometimes UNO students will have a little time between classes and can be found there relaxing.

shopping can be done between classes.

A hearty array of fast food joints and restaurants also lie on Dodge Street between 72nd and 84th streets. If you're of legal age and get the craving for an afternoon beer, The Olive Garden keeps a well-stocked, comfortable bar and cafe.

If all these things to do at UNO can't keep you occupied the entire year, then it may be time to consider low dosages of Ritalin.

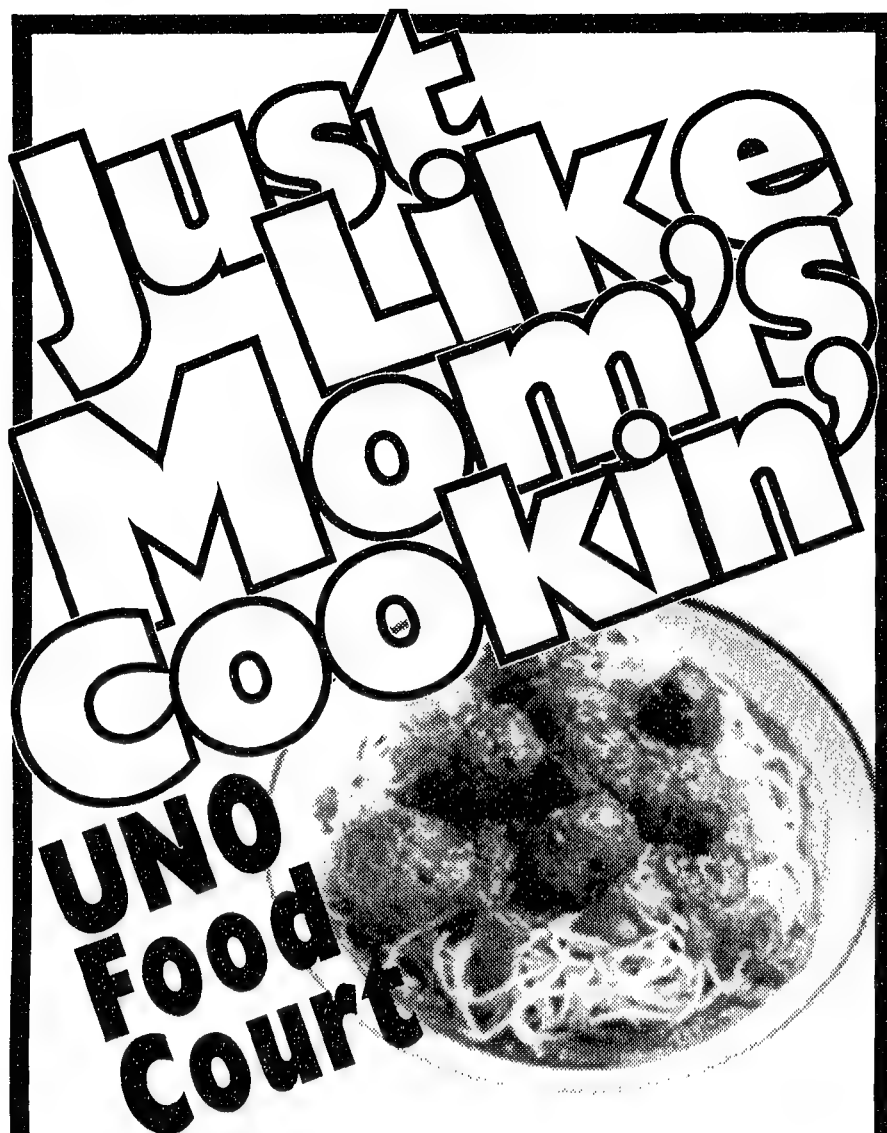
If the choices get overwhelming, just remember the three basic essentials, says senior Lindsay Besaw: "There's pool, there's video games and there's bullsh\*tting with your friends, but you can't bullsh\*t too long otherwise you won't go to class."



students finds time between classes to play a game of volleyball in the Pep wl is often filled with recreation-seeking students who play games of soccer, football to fill the voids of time in their days.

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**Tomassito's** - Italian Cafe with homemade and fresh baked pizzas, pane bread with marinara, assorted pastas and sauces, homemade lasagna, calzones and our caesar chicken salad and garlic rolls.

**The American Grill** - Old-fashioned hamburgers, grilled chicken breast and fish sandwiches. Chicken strip and shrimp baskets with dipping sauces. Visit the Grill for breakfast where you will find fried or scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, bagel sandwiches and much more.

**Durango's Deli** - Sub shop featuring Hormel meats on hoagie buns. New toaster subs including ham and cheese, BLT's, turkey clubs and Philly's. Durango's Sandwich Express features gourmet "grab and go" sandwiches as well as homemade soups

**The Rice Place** - Freshly prepared toppings served with your choice of rice.

**Garden Greens** - Salad bar which offers many toppings for your salad greens, as well as pasta salads, fresh fruits and vegetables and variety of salad dressings.

**The Kiosk** - Serving continental breakfasts, bottled juice and waters, krispie bars, hotdogs, cookies, frozen yogurt, smoothies and Starbucks Coffee.

**Aztecs** - Nachos, tacos, and more Mexican Delights.

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## Four movies every college student should see – and three to avoid

REVIEWS BY  
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STAFF WRITER

**"My advice to you is to start drinking heavily." — John 'Bluto' Blutarsky, *Animal House***

Movies have an uncanny way of grabbing hold of a person's perception of a particular topic and twisting it into a naïve, sometimes rose-tinted opinion. For example, *Almost Famous* actually had me thinking that a 15-year-old boy could emerge emotionally and morally unscathed from the decadence of a '70s rock group's tour — but then I read *The Dirt*, the autobiography of Motley Crue and realized I had been duped.

Similarly, a plethora of movies relating to college life have been made over the years, a large majority of them depicting a landscape that is nothing like true college life. With that in mind, here are four movies you should make an effort to see and three you should avoid.

**Four movies every college student should see:**

*Animal House* — OK, I'm starting out with a movie that's really not very realistic but this 1978 classic does sum up the general chaos that college life can be. *UNO* needs something like the fictional Faber College's *Delta House*, where the members make little effort to hide why they're really at college and in a frat — to get smashed and mingle with the females, even if it means being on "double-secret probation," leaving dead horses in the dean's office, maintaining a 0.00 grade point average and staging a hostile takeover of the town's big parade with a float that says "Eat me."

*Loser* — Never before has college been so accurately portrayed as the pain in the ass, often questionable undertaking that it is. Paul (Jason Biggs), somewhat of a country kid, has trouble adapting to college life almost immediately after

arriving at a New York City campus. His party-hard roommates force him out of his dorm room, he barely has enough money to buy food and he struggles to make decent grades. Welcome to college, Paul. It can be a vicious cycle. (Can't get a job because you have to study. Can't study because you don't have money to pay for books. Can't buy books because you can't get a job.) If you ever feel like college is just too overwhelming and generally not worth it, *Loser* might be worth a look.

*The Graduate* — I hope to God I'm not like Benjamin from 1967's *The Graduate* once I've received my diploma. Aimless, cynical, unsure of the future — hmm, I think it's too late. But I don't think I'm going to do what Benjamin does — have an affair with the wife of my father's best friend, then fall in love with her daughter instead. You may be in an awkward state not just upon graduation but throughout your college life as well. *The Graduate* will help you realize the answers don't always come easy and you may very well screw up (repeatedly), but hey, that's all part of the process.

*Road Trip* — What every college student needs at least once a semester (maybe even more) is a good road trip. Now, it's unlikely that any of your road trips will be predicated by the need to intercept a tape you sent to your significant other in another state — a tape of you having sex with someone who is not your significant other. Regardless, hitting the road and taking a break from studies can be a welcome respite. Now, if you were to add some of the funniest payoffs and hilarious gags in a recent comedy, you would have *Road Trip*.

**Three movies no college student should see:**

*The Curve* — You may have heard the collegiate myth of the rule that awards straight A's to the roommates of a student who commits suicide. I think — don't

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## All work and no sleep make Jack think un-nice thoughts

MIKE MACHIAN  
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

The life of a student is nothing but activity: studying, eating, going to class, figuring out where class is and being hazed by the cheerleaders.

Unless you're an insomniac or hooked on crank, this activity will make you tired and being tired will make you want to sleep.

It is an unfortunate fact that many students don't have 3-12 hours each day to devote to not being awake. This means you have to take what you can get as far as sleep is concerned — even if that means sleeping at school.

Chances are if you're reading this now, you are probably not asleep, so continue reading to find out some of the less dangerous places to dream while on campus.

### *The Gateway*

We have couches, we have pillows, we have cable. There is one drawback, though. If you are recognized as not being a writer, or as one who doesn't turn things in on time, there is a good chance they will let the photo staff molest you. Might be a good idea to be clutching a half-filled out *Gateway* application when you doze off.

### *The tunnels*

Unbeknownst to people who don't know any better, there are tunnels beneath the campus. These tunnels connect the buildings and were once used to house illegal Canadian immigrants on their trek into Mexico.

They are very dark, very quiet and there is little chance you will be awakened. Little chance, that is, unless you are found by the phantom of the Physics Department

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# Signs of mediocrity:

Director M. Night Shyamalan's latest betrays his exceptional previous efforts

TJ ACCOLA  
STAFF WRITER

Paint me disappointed. The one film I was truly looking forward to this season, M. Night Shyamalan's *Signs*, has left me with a sense of missed opportunity and failure to meet expectations. That's not to say the experience was entirely without enjoyment.

The plot is promising enough: Graham Hess (Mel Gibson), a former pastor who has lost his faith, wakes up one morning to find a series of crop circles in his Pennsylvania cornfield. While simultaneously struggling with his wife's death six months earlier and his increasingly distant children (Rory Culkin and Abigail Breslin), Graham's fear of an alien invasion gradually builds to an almost unbearable point.

Therein lies the problem with *Signs*. While Shyamalan is very adept at building tension, he seems to have forgotten something — the big payoff.

It's really quite confounding if you consider his previous efforts, *The Sixth Sense* and *Unbreakable*. The former had the most

talked-about twist ending in years. And although a majority of viewers felt let down by *Unbreakable*'s rather subtle ending, they didn't realize the climax actually occurred two-thirds of the way through the film. Shyamalan would have been well-off to do the same here. In holding off until the last possible moment for what basically amounts to a B-budget ending, it can be nothing other than a letdown.

That doesn't mean the movie is without its merits, though. Of particular spookiness are at least two scenes: one in which Graham confronts what may or may not be an extraterrestrial in a kitchen pantry, although that scene has been for the most part spoiled by the film's trailers. Also well-constructed is a scene in which Graham's little brother, former minor league baseball standout Merrill (Joaquin Phoenix) watches in awe on the news amateur videotape of a purported alien. It's really quite scary, if only for the fact that it all seems so real.

On the other hand, however, Shyamalan unfortunately relies upon cheap

scare tactics (loud dog barks are used twice, for God's sake!) several times in the film. And just when you think there might be something to scream at — a glimpse of an alien, perhaps — Shyamalan simply interrupts it with yet another drawn-out scene intended to inflate the already palpable fear.

Shyamalan was obviously looking to his apparent role model, Steven Spielberg, in particular *Jaws*,



Rory Culkin (left) and Abigail Breslin wear tin foil hats to prevent aliens from reading their minds. They, along with Mel Gibson, star in M. Night Shyamalan's *Signs*.

in making *Signs*. But while Spielberg had a money shot in the form of a 25-foot killer

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## Waxing poetic:

A guide to poetry events around town

RAE LICARI  
COPY EDITOR

Looking for a little excitement of the literary persuasion? Believe it or not, Omaha has a thriving community of poets, many of whom enjoy the opportunity to perform in public. Whether you're looking to show off that new haiku you scribbled on the back of your homework while waiting for the shuttle bus or just want to observe witty wordsmiths in action, there's something going on just about every night of the week. Here's a sampling of some of the ongoing poetic events available. (And you thought there was nothing to do in Omaha...)

Stage Right Open Mic (first and third Mondays of every month) — Held at Stage Right Coffee (16th and Harney streets) and emceed by local poetry king Matt Mason, the Stage Right Open Mic tends to draw an eclectic crowd of both performers and audience members. The event tends to lean toward poetry and songwriting, but is open to performances by stand up comics, sock puppeteers, prose writers and just about anything else. Participants are generally given a time block of around seven minutes or so. Plus,

there's no cover charge, so it also makes for a great cheap date. The open mic starts around 7:30 p.m.

Songwriter's and Storyteller's Night (every Tuesday) — This one's held at 13th Street Coffee (519 S 13th St.) and is a little more loosely structured than some of the other events around town. The performances, which begin around 8 p.m., tend to focus mostly on singer/songwriters and poets. There's an open, friendly atmosphere and once again, no cover.

The Subterranean Peace Tribe Poetry Slam (last Thursday of every month) — If you happen to be lucky enough to be of age, the Subterranean Peace Tribe's Poetry Slams, held at the Dubliner (1205 Harney St.), might be just the thing for you. The traditional slam begins at 7:30 p.m. with an open mic, which is then followed by the actual slam, which is a poetry performance competition. Set slams and spoken word free-for-alls are also sometimes held, sometimes more than just once a month. A nominal \$2 gets you in.

And there are many, many more. A detailed, frequently updated listing of poetry events in Omaha, Lincoln and surrounding areas can be found at [poetrymenu.com](http://poetrymenu.com).

but complain. You would think with a cast including Winona Ryder, Janeane Garofalo, Steve Zahn and Ben Stiller, you'd have a decent film. Nope.

*The Skulls* — Produced during the great teenage movie crap fest of 2000, *The Skulls* tells the story of Luke McNamara (Joshua Jackson), a working-class kid who somehow makes it to Harvard, where he becomes entangled in the world of The Skulls, a secret society that will bring him wealth and power beyond his wildest dreams. But guess what? With that wealth and power comes a dark side, some of which involves murder and political intrigue. Guess what else? This movie sucks. Joshua Jackson (Pacey from *Dawson's Creek* for you non-WB-savvy viewers out there) should not be the lead in any movie other than a *Mighty Ducks* sequel. Furthermore, *The Skulls* has few plot points that an actual college student could relate to. What's the point of setting a movie on a college campus if you can't even make it seem like actual college life?

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quote me, though — that it's bullsh\*t. I'm pretty sure it doesn't exist, never has existed and never will exist. It's a pretty ridiculous notion. However, the makers of *The Curve* don't seem to think so. In what basically amounts to the world's most elaborate scheme (perpetrated by daft college students hoping to get into Ivy League schools, natch), Matthew Lillard and Keri Russell and some nobodies fake such a suicide. The ending alone makes this movie a total waste and at absolutely no point in the film does it remotely resemble actual college life.

*Reality Bites* — Earlier in this piece, I mentioned something about being "aimless, cynical, unsure of the future." That can be played for laughs and portrayed intelligently, such as in *The Graduate*. On the other hand, it can come off as boring, trite and just plain annoying, such as in *Reality Bites*, a film about a group of college graduates with nothing to do

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#### Maverick Masters

- Stroke analysis
- Fitness training
- Tailored workouts
- Competition

#### Fitness and Wellness

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- Personal Training
- Free Drop-in classes

#### Intramural Sports

- Team sports (basketball, flag football, volleyball, soccer, floor hockey)
- Individual sports (racquetball, tennis, badminton)
- Tournaments (billiards, table tennis, arena football)
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- Registration for the 1st session is Aug. 27th - Sept. 7th

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- Workshops (cooking, winter clothing, van and trailer driving)
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- Equipment rental
- Resource
- Outdoor Emergency Care Class, Thursday nights 7- 9:45 p.m., August 29 - December 12th
- Women's Canoe Trip, Iowa River, Sept. 21-22
- Fall Break Trip! Ozarks Highland Trail Backpacking Trip Saturday, October 19-22

#### Sport Clubs

- Competition (bowling, cycling, women's hockey and men's soccer)
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#### Summer Youth Programs

- Mav Kids



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- Racquetball
- Wallyball
- Handball
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- 50 meter, 6 lane pool
- Tot dock
- Moveable bulkheads
- Diving well
- Observation well
- Sun deck

#### Locker Rooms

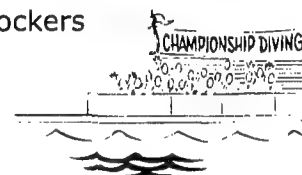
- Cube, half and full size lockers
- Steam room
- Sauna

#### Jogging Track

- Two Lanes
- 10 laps per mile
- Stretching areas

#### Lounge

- Vending machines
- Lounge furniture
- Kiosk



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- Room scheduling
- Identification verification
- Activity area and building supervision

#### Central Issue

- Equipment checkout
- Towel Exchange
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- Guest passes
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Nikki Mastny is now on the outside looking in at UNO's volleyball team. After ending her three-year playing career due to injuries, she is now an assistant coach under Head Coach Rose Shires.



photo by Chris Machian

## Mastny: On the other side now

LEIA BAEZ  
STAFF WRITER

Senior Nikki Mastny, a 5-foot-9 outside hitter from Norfolk, has always dreamed of being a volleyball coach. But Mastny's coaching career is starting sooner than she had hoped.

The two-time All-American, who led the Mavericks with 513 digs and 14 solo blocks in 2000, will not be playing her senior season due to scoliosis, an abnormal lateral curvature of the spine.

Instead, Mastny is on the UNO volleyball roster as an assistant coach.

After redshirting last season because of back surgery, Mastny was hoping to get back on the court where she could finish the last season of her volleyball career.

"You tell me I can't do something and I am going to keep on trying and trying," Mastny said.

But the pain just became too much of a problem for Mastny, who ended her career with 1,162 kills and

1,079 digs.

"I'm in the pain all the time," Mastny said.

But contributing to the UNO volleyball team is not over for Mastny.

Mastny said she hopes she can do whatever she can to help out her team.

"The team has been so supportive both on and off the court," she said.

With a steel rod and eight screws in her back, both Mastny and head coach Rose Shires feel Mastny's future is more important than risking what might happen if she were to play.

"After talking with Nikki's family and her physician, I think it is the best thing for Nikki," Shires said.

Mastny was not the only addition to the Mavericks' coaching staff. Former College of Saint Mary standout Kristen Lebeda has also joined.

Lebeda, the sister of UNO's junior setter Kylie Lebeda, will begin

her coaching career as an assistant coach for the Mavericks.

Kristin Lebeda was a three-time NAIA All-American outside hitter and led the College of Saint Mary to four-straight NAIA National Tournament appearances. She was also selected first team Verizon Academic All-America Accolades in 2001, four-time All-Midlands Collegiate Athletic Conference honoree and two-time MCAC Player of the Year. Kristin finished her career with 2,241 digs and 1,653 kills and became only the second player in school history at CSM to have her jersey retired.

With both Mastny and Lebeda as assistant coaches, who combine for five All-American honors, the Mavericks' staff brings more talent and experience to the UNO volleyball program.

"I think together we bring a lot of experience, maybe if they [the team members] have a problem they can come to us knowing we have been in those situations," Lebeda said.

## Football season will start with or without Stella

BRIAN BRASHAW  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

With the Maverick offense loaded with steady talent and Buck Rasmussen back from injury to anchor a solid defensive core, only two questions remain about UNO football's 2002 campaign: Where will the Mavericks be at the end of the season? And will Randy Stella be a part of the glory?

Neither answer can be given at this time.

A volatile situation looms as the fate of Stella's playing career is decided over the next couple weeks. Stella could be just as much a blessing on the field for the Mavericks as he was a distraction off the field at University of Nebraska-Lincoln. But will it happen?

Stella was dismissed from the Huskers on April 5 after a yearlong suspension for "violating NU athletic department policy."

During his last season with the Huskers in 2000, Stella started 10 games, compiling 58 tackles. In 1999, Stella became the first Nebraska linebacker to return punts, averaging 23.2 yards per return.

The question of whether Stella is

able to bring his talents to UNO remains unclear. He has two "incomplete" grades at UNL he must complete (one from each of his last two semesters at UNL) and he must successfully complete his two summer classes at UNO before enrolling for fall 2002.

Head Coach Pat Behrms is unable to comment on the situation until Stella is enrolled full-time and has signed a letter of intent to play with the Mavericks.

According to UNO's registrar's office, Stella enrolled in two summer classes, Black American History and Marriage and Family on Thursday, July 18. Classes began on July 15.

The registrar's office said it is up to the teacher and the dean of the college as to whether a student can register late for summer classes. A student would have to get a form signed by both the course instructor and the dean of the college, then bring it to the office to get registered.

In an article printed Aug. 24, 2001, Stella told the *Lincoln Journal-Star* UNL head coach Frank Solich would allow him to return the team for the 2002 season if he could obtain his bachelor's degree. At that point he was enrolled at

UNL and was on track to graduate in May. That was until his April 5 release.

Stella, now at UNO, is listed under the College of Continuing Studies, which is a liberal arts-type program only available to students 21 years of age or older. It offers a Bachelor of Continuing Studies degree equivalent to, for example, a Bachelor of Arts or Sciences degree.

The undergraduate academic catalog lists two options for students in the college.

Option I lets the student choose an area of concentration, in which the student must earn 30 of his 125 credits in his area of concentration. Nine hours of which must be upper division courses (3000-4000 level).

Option II allows the student to choose three disciplines in which the student must complete 15 hours each, including six hours of upper division in two of the three areas.

In either option, the student must finish 24 of his last 60 hours on the UNO campus.

Thus, if a student from UNL transferred to UNO and enrolled in College of Continuing Studies and

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## Avoid scalpers, snag hockey tickets early

BRIAN BRASHAW  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Enjoy waltzing into the football, volleyball, basketball and soccer games for free, because come hockey season, even students will have fork over valuable green to see the action.

Hockey is the only Division I sport at UNO and the only athletic event a student will have to pay to see. And it doesn't come cheap.

You're thinking, student discount right? Yes, to a certain extent. According to the Maverick ticket box office students have only a two-week window to buy discounted tickets. Even then, they only sell student tickets as season ticket packages.

Here's how it works:

Priority goes to former hockey season ticket holders. Season packages for students who had season tickets last year will go on sale Sept. 5 at 10 a.m. at the Sapp Field House on campus. The next day, the tickets will be open to all students who wish to buy them and will be on sale from Sept. 6-20. Students are offered a 50 percent discount off the regular price. Even with the discount, a pair of season tickets in the third tier of the Civic Auditorium will run \$303.50. Add \$50 for second tier and \$50 more for first tier and ice-level seats.

Sherry Morris at the box office said they typically sell about 300 student season tickets and about 2,000 non-student season tickets. She also said the office will make as many packages available to students as needed.

After the season ticket deadline passes, a student can only buy single-game tickets at regular price. This is because after season tickets are sold, TicketMaster opens sales of hockey game tickets, which means there is no way to verify you are a student if you order through them.

Single game tickets last season ran from \$10.50-\$14.50 per game and will increase this season by at least \$1 per ticket.

The City of Omaha added a \$1 seat tax per seat per event starting this year. The seat tax goes for not only UNO hockey games but Creighton basketball games, Omaha Beef games and even concerts.

UNO will be hosting its third annual season-starting tournament, the Maverick Stampede, Oct. 12-13. The tournament this year features UNO, Colgate, Michigan

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**PUBLIC SALE:** There will be a public auction of university surplus property at the warehouse at 3805 No. 16th Street on Saturday, August 24, 2002. Standley Auction & Realty Co. will handle the sale. Items may be viewed starting at 8:00 a.m. on the sale day with the auction to start at 10:00 a.m.

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- 2 Coleman lanterns
- 2 Coleman lanterns
- 1 tent
- 220 volt jacket
- vacuum tube 12 meters
- stationary bike
- reel to reel player
- 4 water heaters
- 1 camera
- 2 Coleman lanterns



## Swinging summer: Golfers Etter and Oster perfect their crafts in the off-season

CHIP OLSEN  
STAFF WRITER

The scorching heat hasn't kept two of the top UNO women golfers indoors this summer.

Katie Etter and Stephanie Oster have been tearing up the grass out on the links.

Etter, daughter of Jim Etter, head golf professional at Elmwood Park, competed in the *Omaha World-Herald's* Publinks Tournament, the Trans National Amateur and the Omaha Country Club Match Play. She also works at Elmwood driving the concessions cart.

"I've had a busy summer," Etter said. "I practice golf a lot and drive a beer cart."

Etter, going into her junior year, is majoring in recreation and leisure. After college she plans to become a golf instructor. She graduated from Mercy High School in 2000.

Etter placed second in the Publinks match-play tournament over the summer, falling in the championship match to two-time champion Kim Mann. Overall, she was pleased with her play.

"I made it to the finals for the second year in a row," she said. "I just didn't win."

Mann defeated Etter by the score of 5-and-4 at Benson Park in a rematch of last year's final.

Etter said the Trans National Amateur, which features high-level college players, pro amateurs and an amazing 12-year-old player, was a good learning experience.

"I played all right, for me," she said. "It was a good way to determine what I



Stephanie Oster and Katie Etter of the UNO golf team have both played many rounds of golf this summer despite the heat.

need to do to improve my game."

She was also pleased with a solid showing at the Omaha Country Club Match Play Tournament where she advanced to the semi-finals.

Stephanie Oster, also a junior, competed in the Omaha Country Club Tournament. After winning her first match, she was defeated in her second.

"I was playing okay," Oster said about the tournament. "I could have done better, though."

Oster, who graduated from Millard North in 2000 and is majoring in elementary education, spends a fair amount of time out on the course.

The future teacher said: "All I've

been doing is golfing. I usually play with my dad, but if he's busy I'll play with some friends."

Oster balances her time at Shadow Ridge Country Club and Ironwood Country Club, which is the team's home course. Being a member at Shadow Ridge prohibits her from playing in the Publinks.

"I tried to play, believe me, but they wouldn't let me compete," Oster said.

Both young women are eager for their third season of golf to begin.

"I'm excited," Oster said. "I think it's going to be a really good year for the team. Our goal is to win our conference and go to nationals."

Etter added: "I think we are going to be a tough team this season."

Head coach Melissa Brooks said Etter will be this year's captain, replacing Oster, who's been captain the two previous years.

"Their leadership is pretty well-respected on the team," Brooks said.

Going into the season, the lady Mavs are ranked in the top 10 in Division II, which is impressive since it's only the third year UNO has had a women's golf team. And, they will host the conference championships this year on their home course. A trip to the nationals at Howie-in-the-Hill in Orlando, Fla., this May is definitely feasible.

The season begins Labor Day weekend at the Ferris State Invitational in Big Rapids, Mich., followed by the Grand Valley State Invitational in Grand Rapids, Mich.

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State and Denver. Two games will be played each day. Tickets for those game will run \$17-\$21, but the tickets include both games being played that day.

Then there are the playoffs. If UNO hosts a first-round series, tickets for the playoffs may run more than single game tickets as well.

Scalpers can be very greedy sometimes. This is why season tickets are the best bet. You get tickets for the Stampede, all regular season home games and even the playoffs.

Students planning to buy season tickets are reminded to have their student IDs with HPER stickers on them or a copy of their class schedule with them in order to prove their current student status.

Not ready to take the plunge into Mavericks hockey mania?

Perhaps the heralded "rush seating" option suits you. Rush seating was created two years into the program as a way for the athletic department to double sell some seats. It sounds bad, but rush seating is actually very beneficial for the school, students and fans.

Every single UNO hockey game in the program's history has been a sellout. So how is the average Joe Student supposed to get into this exclusive event? While people like to have the tickets in case they get bored, rush seating allows for the fan of the game, not the brie-eating "I'll go if there is no high-class dinner party at the Joslyn" types.

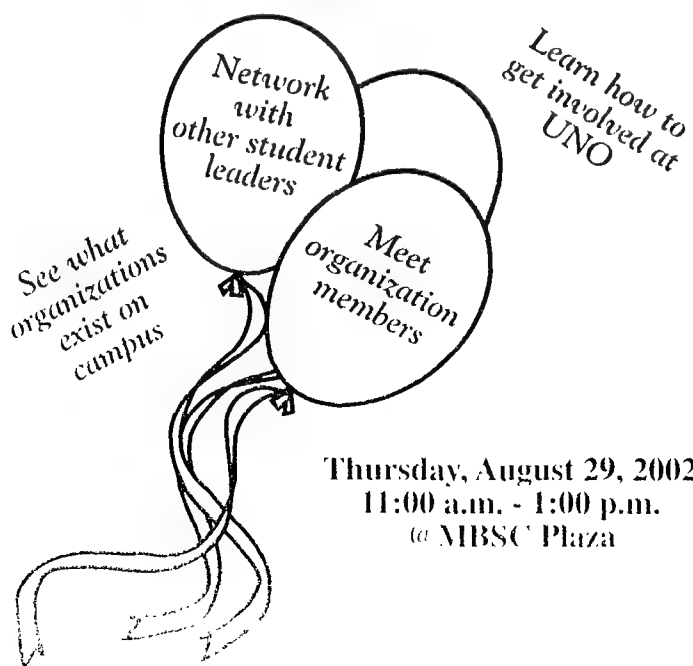
How it works is the auditorium staff counts tickets and estimates how many seats are open. Then, 10 minutes into the first period, they open up sales of that many seats to the general public at \$10. The university gets double the cash for the seat, anyone can get into the game and UNO hockey gets exposed to a new audience every weekend. Plus, the beer flows like water inside (for \$4.50 a piece). The Maverick hockey season begins Oct. 6.

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# History of Excellence

## Maverick Football

Established: 1911 (1-3)

Current Head Coach:

Pat Behrns, entering ninth season (57-35-0, .620).

All-Time Record: 374-354-30

Attendance Record: 12,500, Sept 19, 1981 vs. Morningside.

Winningest Head Coach: Sandy Buda (84-49-0, .632)

Best season: 10-0, 1954

Most Wins in a Season: 11, 1984, 2000.

Most Consecutive Wins: 16, 1954-55

Worst Season: 0-8, 1958

Most Losses in a Season: 10, 1994

Consecutive Losses: 12, 1957-59.

Program Highlights: 1954: Omaha University goes 10-0-0, and wins the Tangerine Bowl (now the Florida Citrus Bowl). 1962: Omaha U. goes 8-1-1 and wins the All-Sports Bowl. 1971: Nickname changed to the Mavericks. 1983: UNO shares first NCC crown. 1984: Wins another NCC title, and finished No. 2 in D-II. 1996: UNO wins third NCC crown and earn third playoff birth. 1998: Another NCC title, bringing the total to four. 2000: NCC title after 11-2 season and advances farther than any other UNO team, making it to the NCAA D-II quarterfinals. 2001: Second back-to-back NCC title. Has sent 35 players to the NFL.

Prolific Players: Joe Arenas becomes school's second All-American in 1949. Became first to represent the school in the NFL, being selected by the San Francisco 49ers. Marlin Briscoe named All-American (1967). Played in the NFL for



Coach Behrns holds the last of three NCC championship plaques.

Denver, Miami and Buffalo, becoming the school's first all-pro. Randy Naran career leader in passing yards (5,814), completions (451), completion average (.564). Drafted by Denver in 1985. MarTay Jenkins currently plays for the Arizona Cardinals. Adam Wright All-American (2000). Career rushing leader (3,926 yds.), career rushing attempts (692), 18 100-yard rushing games.

Currently plays for the New York Giants. Chris Cooper All-American (2000) plays for the Oakland Raiders. Chris Bober, two-time All-American (1998-99), also plays for the New York Giants. Also Athletic Director Bob Danenhauer played for UNO, and professionally for Seattle. Generous UNO Alumnus Rod Kush played professionally for Buffalo.

Begins Play: Aug. 29 at home against Nebraska at Kearney

Head Coach Behrns has built a team that is very committed to winning. Behrns has had six consecutive winning seasons, with three NCC crowns. The team has lost four games in a season just once since 1996, and is always looking to advance further into the NCAA D-II playoffs. This could be a huge year, but certain things have to fall into place for this mostly option-based offense.

## Maverick Volleyball

Established: 1971 (6-9)

Current Head Coach: Rose Shires, entering 13th season (270-129, .677).

All-Time Record: 797-369

Winningest Head Coach: Janice Kruger (1979-87, 352-96, .786)

Best season: 1996, 35-2, .946.

Most Wins in a Season: 49, 1983. ?

Most Consecutive Wins: 23, 10/10/95-10/12/96 ?

Worst Season: 2001, 6-21, .222

Most Losses in a Season: 21, 2001. ?

Program Highlights: 1996 NCAA D-II National Champions. Five NCAA D-II Final Four appearances (1983, 85, 86, 87, 96). One Elite Eight (1997). 13 straight winning seasons (1976-1989). 10 straight winning seasons (1991-2000).

Prolific Players:

Tracy Ankeny (1997-2000), leads team in career kills (1,961), attacks (4,522), second in digs (1,691) and fifth in attack percentage (.310). Academic All-NCC (1998-2000), AVCA All-American (1997, 1999-2000). Amy Steffel (1993-96) leads team in career set assists (5,482) and season assists (1,750). World-Herald State College Athlete of the Year (1996), AVCA All-American (1996). Kathy Knudsen (1983-1986), ranks second in career kills (1,645), attacks (3,616), solo blocks (152), and block assists (435). She ranks seventh in career digs (1,255), and attack percentage (.297). AVCA All-American (1985), Maverick female athlete of the year (1985), 1993 UNO Hall of Fame inductee.

Begins Play for 2002: Aug. 24

Head Coach Shires knows how to

build and maintain a winning tradition. UNO volleyball has been a rock in the Division II ranks since it began in 1971. Shires had nine consecutive 20-win seasons through 2000, including a national title in 1996. Two-time All-American Nikki Mastny will return to the Mavericks this season after a medical redshirt last season. Mastny will lead a core of young players who posted a 6-21 mark last year, the worst in program history. The team will improve greatly on that mark this year.

## Maverick Soccer

Established: 1999

(14-5)

Current Head

Coach: Don Klosterman

entering fourth season

(46-15)

All-Time Record:

46-15

Winningest Head

Coach: Klosterman

Best season: 16-5,

2000, 2001

Worst Season: 14-5,

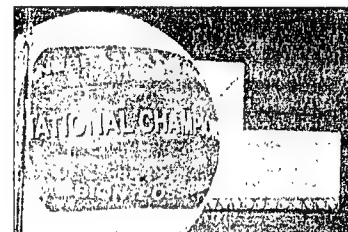
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Highlights: Aug. 20,

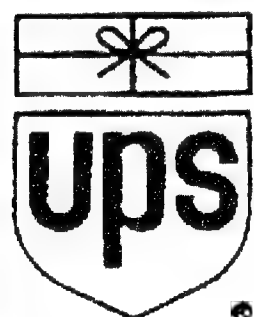
1999 first exhibition, lost to Nebraska ? NCAA D-II tournament.

Program Highlights: 2000, inaugural season. Finished in seventh place in the NCC with a team of mostly freshman. 2002: The Mavericks break into the national tournament for the first time, finishing eighth. Freshman Tanis Hastmann finishes 17th overall, the highest for a Maverick on the national



The volleyball signed by the members of the national championship team rests in the trophy case in the Sapp Fieldhouse.

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UNO has four running backs who have started at one time or another. From left are Jess Holland, Justin Kammrad, Johnnie Nolen and James E. Johnson.

## Four horsemen lead Mavericks

BRIAN BRASHAW  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Most football teams consider a one-two punch out of the backfield a good thing. The 2002 Mavericks have the blessing of showing a one-two-three-four combination.

Four tailbacks spearhead the Maverick offense into the year, anticipating a run at another North Central Conference crown. UNO has won or shared the conference title every even year since 1996. This being 2002, the time is ripe, and the four backfield weapons know it.

Of Johnnie Nolen, J.J. Johnson, Jess Holland and Justin Kammrad, all four have starter experience and all four have their weapons.

"Personally, I think it's a good thing to have four of us," Nolen said. "There are so many different weapons here. Power, speed, movement. It's great."

Head coach Pat Behrns is satisfied with his options for the option offense but also

says that you can't play all four guys at the same time.

"That's going to be an interesting situation," Behrns said. "It gives us the ability to show a two-back set, and show defenses some different things. But you also can't play them all at once. Right now, Johnnie's the No. 1 guy."

Nolen led the team, who ranked first in the NCC in rushing average, with 903 yards and five touchdowns in 10 games. Nolen returns as the incumbent starter entering his senior season. The 5-foot-11, 205-pounder from Sacramento, Calif., relies on his speed and moves to leave would-be tacklers on the turf. He earned second team all-conference honors last season and had a career high 180-yard performance against University of Nebraska at Kearney last year.

"We've worked really hard this off-season," he said. "It's been one of the toughest I've gone through, but it will pay

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## Intramural sports: You better bring game!

RAF CZARNECKI  
STAFF WRITER

If there was ever an appropriate time to talk about how much your level of effort will determine how successful you'll be in college, the time is now.

However, given the tall task of putting together a 500-word overview of the finest intramural sports UNO has to offer, I find myself in a bit of a dilemma. This would probably not be the best time to give scholarly advice, but what the hell, I can play the role of guidance counselor once a year.

To any indecisive freshman having second thoughts about whether this is the right career path, please keep this in mind — college will suck if you want it to suck. In other words, get involved. Oh, and intramural sports are big time.

Whether it be to get some exercise, relieve tension or just because you can't find a job and have nothing but time on your hands, the university offers intramural sports for any student with a UNO identification card and a HPER sticker (this will be mailed to you about two weeks into the semester). Getting involved with intramurals is easy. Find your way down to the HPER building and take a quick left into Room 100, where registration for session one sports begins Aug. 26.

There you will find registration sheets for session one sports, which are: 7x7 Flag Football, 4x4 Volleyball, 3x3 Basketball, Outdoor Tennis and Outdoor Soccer. Both male and female competitors are welcome to participate in either the "A," "B," or Co-ed Leagues available for each sport.

Each person participating in an individual

sport must pay a \$10 refundable forfeit deposit or in case of a team sport, a \$20 team fee required for registration. Hurry on down to the HPER building because session one registration ends Sept. 6 and the action starts the following week.

Not only are there bundles of sports to choose from but getting involved is easy and hassle free.

Take your student ID card to the start of any intramural event you are registered for, and you'll be eligible to become an active intramural baller with a chance to see your name printed in the paper. It's as simple as ditching that 8 a.m. World Civ. class.

Starting sometime in September, coverage of the Intramural Flag Football Game of the Week will be brought to you on behalf of *The Gateway*. So if you think you can make an impact on the gridiron, you just might find yourself featured in an award-winning newspaper article brought to you by yours truly.

If none of the session one sports sound too intriguing, not to worry; for session two sports begin in October.

Looking ahead, session two sports consist of 5x5 Basketball, 4x4 Volleyball, Floor Hockey and Racquetball. There are also one-day event specials during the year, such as the crowd-favorite "Indoor War" flag football tournament, which is held on the basketball courts in the Sapp Field House.

For any more information on intramural sports, you can reach Chris Franck, program assistant for intramural sports, at 554-2634.

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## Maverick faces: The North Platte connection



### Football:

Adrian Hernandez

Year/position: Senior defensive back

Hometown: North Platte

Last season: Made 40 total tackles, 21 solo, five for loss, two pass deflections in 11 games.

### Volleyball:

Jenny Rankin

Year/position: Sophomore outside hitter

Hometown: North Platte

Last Season: Played in 26 matches and 100 games as a freshman. Had 277 kills (team rank, 2nd), 241 digs (3rd), 924 attacks (2nd) and a .148 attack percentage (4th).



Julia McConahay

Year/position: Sophomore outside hitter

Hometown: North Platte

Last Season: Played in 26 matches and 93 games. Had 172 kills (4th), 277 digs (1st) and 27 service aces (1st).

### Soccer:

Heidi Bargmann

Year/Position: Junior goaltender

Hometown: North Platte

Last season: Played 17 games for the Mavericks with an 11-4 record. Logged 1,313 plus minutes (1st), made 84 saves (1st), had a save percentage of .816 (1st) and averaged 1.30 goals against.



## Off-season losses will take toll on soccer's front line this fall

PAUL FREELAND

STAFF WRITER

Two sizeable gaps have been left in the UNO soccer team's attack as two of last season's top three goal-scorers will not return to the squad for the 2002 season.

Brandy McSorley has been declared academically ineligible for the upcoming season. McSorley led the Mavericks last season with 22 goals, 53 points and five game-winning goals, two of which came in the North Central Conference post-season tournament.

In addition, Katie Hobbs has left the team for undisclosed personal reasons. Hobbs had 13 goals and 33 points during the 2001 season.

Maverick head coach Don Klosterman

said losing the pair would present a challenge to his team, but not one that is insurmountable.

"Losing Brandy and Katie equals losing 35 goals from last season," Klosterman said. "It will be a challenge to replace what they brought to the table, but I think it's a challenge we can deal with. Having [Stephanie] Kruse and our other players returning will help us and as long as we stay with our regular approach and be aggressive, I think this is something we can overcome."

Hobbs was also one of three Maverick players to start every one of UNO's 21 games last season. McSorley was tied for second on the team in assists with nine, even

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level.

Prolific Players: Katie Etter 2002 team captain. Steph Oster first place at Nebraska Wesleyan Invite in April 2002 and first place the following week at the York Invitational. Tanis Hastmann won the NCC meet in October of 2001, tied for first at the North Regional in May 2002 and won the UNO invite in April. Was named

to the All-NCC team in 2002.

Season Begins: Labor Day weekend in Big Rapids, Mich.

Melissa Brooks has really brought her team some respect in the very short history of the program. She still has a young team, and one that can only be better because the offseason saw no departure of seniors. Look for big things and an impact in the national tournament this season. An NCC crown isn't out of the picture either.



# UNO Mavericks

## Home Schedule

### 2002 Home Football

Aug 29	Nebraska-Kearney	8:00
Sep 14	Midwestern (TX) State	Noon
Sep 28	South Dakota	7:00
Oct 5	Northern Colorado	1:00
	- Homecoming	
Oct 26	North Dakota	1:00
Nov 9	North Dakota State	1:00
Nov 16	Augustana (SD)	1:00

### 2002 Home Volleyball

Aug 29	Nebraska-Kearney	8:00
Sep 14	Midwestern (TX) State	Noon
Sep 28	South Dakota	7:00
Oct 5	Northern Colorado	1:00
	- Homecoming	
Oct 26	North Dakota	1:00
Nov 9	North Dakota State	1:00
Nov 16	Augustana (SD)	1:00
Sep 13	Minnesota-Duluth	noon
Sep 13	Minnesota-Crookston	6:00
Sep 14	Southwest State	2:00
Sep 14	Northern State	6:00
Sep 20	North Dakota State	7:00
Sep 20	North Dakota	6:00
Oct 5	South Dakota State	6:00
Oct 11	South Dakota	7:00
Oct 12	Northern Colorado	6:00
Nov 1	Augustana	7:00
Nov 2	Minnesota State	6:00
Nov 9	St. Cloud State	6:00
Dec 29	Briar Cliff	3:00

### 2002-03 Home Women's Basketball

Nov 3	Alumni - Exhibition	3:00
Nov 29	Southern Colorado	6:00
	- UNO Tournament	
Nov 30	Emporia State	6:00
	- UNO Tournament	
Dec 4	Northwest Missouri State	
Dec 15	Peru State	3:00
Jan 2	North Dakota State	6:00
Jan 4	North Dakota	6:00
Jan 18	South Dakota State	6:00
Jan 23	South Dakota	6:00
Jan 25	Northern Colorado	6:00
Feb 13	Augustana	6:00
Feb 15	Minnesota State	6:00
Feb 22	St. Cloud State	6:00

### 2002-03 Home Swimming/Diving

Nov 8	South Dakota State	6:00
Dec 6	UNO Invitational	
Dec 7	UNO Invitational	
Jan 19	Nebraska-Kearney	1:00
Jan 31	Nebraska-Lincoln	5:00
Feb 1	Northern Colorado	9:00

### 2002-03 Home Wrestling

Nov 23	Kaufman-Brand Open	9:00
Jan 11	Brand Open	9:00
Jan 31	Augustana	7:00
Feb 1	North Dakota State	7:00
Feb 7	Central Oklahoma	7:00
Feb 8	Nebraska-Kearney	7:00

### 2002-03 Home Men's Basketball

Nov 29	Maverick Classic	8:00
Nov 30	Maverick Classic	8:00
Dec 3	Bellevue University	7:00
Dec 14	Wayne State	7:00
Dec 20	Winona State	7:00
Dec 21	Midland Lutheran	7:00
Jan 2	North Dakota State	8:00
Jan 4	North Dakota	8:00
Jan 18	South Dakota State	8:00
Jan 24	South Dakota	8:00
Jan 25	Northern Colorado	8:00
Feb 4	Morningside	
Feb 13	Augustana	8:00
Feb 15	Minnesota State	8:00
Feb 22	St. Cloud State	8:00

### 2002-03 Home Hockey

Oct 6	Manitoba - Exhibition	5:00
Oct 11	Maverick Stampede	8:00
Oct 12	Michigan State or Denver	TBA
	Maverick Stampede	
Oct 18	Miami	7:05
Oct 19	Miami	7:05
Nov 8	Alaska Fairbanks	7:05
Nov 9	Alaska Fairbanks	7:05
Nov 23	Northern Michigan	7:05
Nov 24	Northern Michigan	7:05
Nov 29	Merrimack	7:05
Nov 30	Merrimack	7:05
Jan 3	Notre Dame	7:05
Jan 4	Notre Dame	7:05
Jan 24	Ohio State	7:05
Jan 25	Ohio State	7:05
Jan 31	Bowling Green	7:05
Feb 1	Bowling Green	7:05
Feb 14	Bemidji State	7:05
Feb 15	Bemidji State	7:05
Feb 21	Michigan	7:05
Feb 22	Michigan	7:05
Mar 8	Minnesota State, Mankato	7:05
Mar 14	CCHA Playoffs	TBA
Mar 15	CCHA Playoffs	TBA
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with sophomore Molly Herzberg and three behind junior Stephanie Kirby.

McSorley and Hobbs' absence leaves Kruse, a senior, as the lone player on the squad with 10 or more goals last season.

Kruse had 15 goals, four of which were game-winners and five assists for 35 points while Kirby is the next highest goal-scorer with eight goals. Sophomore Lisa Ayers is the team's next leading scorer after Kirby with six goals.

Klosterman said he has faith in the players returning to his team and hoped the team's new members would be able to contribute soon.

"Kruse is coming off of a national under-23 tournament in Houston and she's probably in the best shape of her life," Klosterman said. "Kirby has looked very good all summer as well. The players we have returning will be the core of this year's team and hopefully we can have our new players step up and contribute as well."

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off."

Johnson, also a senior, ran for 548 yards and four touchdowns last year for the offense, which brings his career totals to 969 yards and 10 touchdowns. Johnson shows a grinder's attitude on the field with big play ability. Johnson is glad to see the two seniors leading the team.

"We have a lot of experience back there this year," Johnson said. "With these split backs, we will be able to swing some guys out and open up the passing game a little. It'll confuse defenses."

Holland returns to the UNO campus after taking two years off from school. Holland shows good speed and has the ability to catch passes. Holland racked up 1,639 yards in two seasons before taking 2000 and 2001 off. He will compete for a lot of playing time and his experience will be a bonus. The only question is how long it will take him to get back into the groove of the system.

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brought 115 credits, the student would still need to complete a minimum of 24 hours at UNO.

If Stella were to complete all necessary requirements to play, he would have two years of eligibility left at UNO.

So Stella has his task ahead of him before he can join his cousin Jermaine Ballard on the Maverick squad.

But Stella himself said in an April 18 interview: "I'm all about the game. I just want to be a total benefit to the team I join."

At the Aug. 9 media day, when asked

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shark, Shyamalan seemingly forgot to write the anticipated alien invasion into the script.

Here's to hoping Shyamalan finds his magic groove again — the one that produced two exceptional movies, *The Sixth Sense* and *Unbreakable*.

Kruse was selected to take part in the summer tournament due to her earlier performances in a tournament in Iowa. Placed on a team that included players from Creighton, Kruse and her teammates took on teams with players from Stanford, Santa Clara and even the Mexican under-19 national team.

Relief may be coming for the Mavericks in the form of a pair of transfers. Ashley Grace joined UNO after playing for Northwestern College (Iowa) and Anne Willrett transferred to UNO from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. With the two new additions, UNO now has seven forwards on its roster, five of which are underclassmen.

Klosterman said he was confident his players would step up to fill the void.

"It's going to be a challenge and it'll be interesting to see how it turns out," Klosterman said. "We have plenty of good players on our team and it's just a matter of which players are going to step up for us."

"It feels really good to be back," Holland said. "I regret missing out on some of the camaraderie, but I'm happy to be back. I haven't felt any animosity and it's been real smooth but it has been a little tough mentally."

Holland had a strong spring camp and gained 28 yards on just three carries in the spring game.

Kammrad returns to the team as a junior. Kammrad played just one game last season before suffering a season-ending knee injury. Kammrad set the school single game rushing record with a 239-yard performance in 2000 against Augustana. Kammrad is a junior out of Council Bluffs and will likely see supporting roles as a back and blocking back.

With these four lighting things up, defenses of the NCC beware. Along with the stable option game, these four guys give the offense the opportunity to bring new looks to the passing game as well, which will further frustrate defenses. This season at Caniglia Field will be, in a word, electric.

about any players likely joining after camp starts, Behms was diplomatic.

"Anything at this point is going to be a bonus," Behms said. "There's nothing out there that will affect whether we have a good team or not, which is encouraging. But we've always been a program in the past that has come up with that guy late who has turned out to be a pretty good player."

Yet there is much to this story to yet be uncovered and nothing more will be known until summer classes end Aug. 16. The Maverick's football season begins Aug. 29, with or without Randy Stella.

He may be hyped as the next Spielberg, but Shyamalan still has quite a ways to go to fill those shoes — and a backwards step like *Signs* isn't going to help.

Grade: C+

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members to decide if they want to join.

Bilek said he has made many lifelong friends through the fraternity.

"It's great just having peers around you to talk about classes, events or problems that come up," he said.

His leadership skills have also improved since his affiliation with his fraternity.

"Without being in the greek system, I wouldn't be where I am today," he said.

Adriana Pina, president for the Omicron chapter of Lambda Theta Nu, said her organization waits to recruit during the spring semester. This provides more time for

members to better get acquainted and allows interested students to show their commitment to the organization.

"It's an advantage because the ladies that are interested get to know us more and they can choose to make the transition into the sorority," she said.

Pina enjoys being part of the organization because not only does it focus on academics and community service, but also houses a close-knit sisterhood.

"It's down-to-earth friends you'll know forever," she said.

Students who are interested in learning more about UNO's sororities and fraternities can stop by the SOLP office in the Milo Bail Student Center.

### from AMERICA, page 10

Down the passage, into the plane and down on my seat.

A mother/daughter pair was sitting to my left and we happened to have the same starting points in our journey.

And did we have the same destination? The mother answered the query. "Austin, Texas."

And where might I be headed to myself?

"Omaha, Neb."

"Where is that?"

"Central," I said. I was staring at a mental picture of the American map.

I would later be told it was the Midwest. Central, Midwest, were they the same?

By her confession, I learned that the woman traveled to the States every summer with her daughter and they were used to the drill.

I tried to settle down in my chair and was finding it hard to do.

Oceans Eleven was playing on a screen in front of me but it might as well have not been. George Clooney's statements missed me most of the time and Julia Roberts didn't speak at all.

I dozed off, dreaming of abstract shapes, figures, geometrical arrangements that

morphed constantly and made no sense, the sea, outer space ... I roamed the universe, frequently stopping on Mars, Jupiter and Planet X, where I discovered an alien attempt to take over the earth.

I foiled this, of course, and waking up in the heat of the moment, I glanced at my wristwatch. It made no sense — the result of crossing over three time zones in pursuit of a different cultural experience?

The screen in front of me reassured me that I was in fact not journeying through time and with flashing figures and graphic representations of a plane moving across the globe pompously informed me that I would be at Minneapolis in 50 minutes.

For my information, the screen said New York was behind me and the plane was moving at some thousands of miles per hour. Graphic images were switched to buttress the point and the screen stared at me, daring my humble self to question its flawless data and established authority. I had no intention of doing such; I was only too happy to agree with it.

The journey was beginning to take a heavy toll on me. Not for long though, the "fasten your seat belts" sign came on a few moments later. I had arrived.

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### from SUNNY, page 10

posted.

I couldn't agree more.

But then, by the heading marked "recommend," I saw the exact opposite of what I would've posted myself.

The student who posted the review left the rating of "highly recommend."

"Just someone who's a bit lazy," I told myself.

Students don't really think a professor like this one is highly recommendable, do they?

For the sake of redeeming — not the reputations of my favorite teachers, but integrity (or lack thereof) of UNO students — I decided to check out the reviews of another knowledge-cheating professor I'd taken a class from.

I hadn't felt as cheated after this particular class as I had after the first one. After all, it was the professor's first semester at UNO when I took the class, so the professor deserved a bit of a break.

I searched the last name and brought up the first entry.

By "homework," it read "very easy."

I reluctantly looked at the "recommend" heading.

"Don't recommend," it read.

I was relieved.

There were a few more entries for the professor, so I decided to press my luck and see what the second reviewer had to say.

"I never opened my book once and wish that I wouldn't have bought it!" a comment read.

Again, I would think (and hope other students would think) not having to open your book is a bad thing but there again

under the "recommend" heading were the words "highly recommend."

Now I don't want to come off as someone who thinks she's perfect and who does everything she should academically speaking. I know I don't hit the books as often as I should but I do know the value of an education and that's what I'm here at UNO for — an education.

I'm starting to think maybe others are just here for a degree.

There's a difference?

Sure there is.

I believe that you can, indeed, get a degree without getting an education.

By utilizing sites that provide teacher reviews (like [www.unounderground.com](http://www.unounderground.com)) and by talking to other students, I think a student at UNO could almost get away with getting a degree without getting an education. The student would just have to know enough to choose professors carefully enough to avoid the classes where learning is actually required.

I know classes that don't require learning can be found — I've been in them. I've regretted staying in them.

The way I see it, the more I learn at school, the more prepared I will be once I have that degree in my hand and am sent out into the "real world."

The more I learn, the more I will know and will be able to use to edge out competitors as I try to secure a job.

The more I learn, the better I feel about myself and about the education I am receiving.

After all, that's what I'm here to get.

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### from HOME, page 3

Living and Learning program that allows unmarried women to live on campus with their children while attending college," the Web site says.

UNO students are placed in rooms with other UNO students first, Mieras said, but added that there is no objection to putting a UNO student in a room with a CSM student if it is requested if it works out number wise when pairing up roommates.

She said two students from UNO who lived at CSM will return to its residence halls

this fall.

Mieras said: "Many of the UNO students who lived here last year were very sad to leave and thanked us for the opportunity to meet so many young women from UNO and CSM."

Being an all-women's college, only women from UNO are allowed to participate in this partnership with CSM.

For more information, contact Mieras at CSM by calling 339-2674 or visit UNO's Off-Campus Housing Referral office, located on the second floor of the Milo Bail Student Center.

### from WORK, page 18

Legend has it that he was a leading member of the class of '72. His future looked bright until he was horribly disfigured when his attempt to build an atomic-powered bong went awry. Another legend has it that the previous legend was made up.

#### Not in the HPER Building

If you have been to the Health Physical Education and Recreation building on campus, you'll know why it's not a nice place to nap. If you haven't, let me warn you: if you're not moving, sweating or panting, they think you're dead. While that may seem an ideal situation at first, body bags are hard to breathe in.

#### The Chapel

Except for occasional whispered prayers, this is one of the quietest places on campus. Hell, church is one of the easier places to fall asleep in life. No one will disturb your dozing lest they incur the

wrath of your god. If people using the chapel for slightly more legitimate purposes become upset by your snoring, indignantly inform them you are speaking in tongues.

#### Biology class

This is one of the classes held in a large lecture hall where there are many other students who can stay awake for you. This means you won't be caught in a catnap unless you are sitting in the front row or fall out of your desk. If either one of those happens, fake a seizure. In fact you'll find faking a seizure will get you out of most socially awkward situations. This is also a class where they show lots of slides, which mean the lights will be off. All these factors combine to make this the perfect place to sleep, unless of course you are a biology major, in which case feel free to sleep through any journalism classes you may have.

Editor's note: If you are caught, and your professor wants to know who told you to do this, reply "I read it in the *Daily Nebraskan* while touring UNL."

### from ART, page 15

The Artist's Co-op Gallery (405 S. 11th St., 342-9617) will be having the opening reception for its Transition show on Saturday, Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. While you're downtown, head north to the Hot Shops Art Center, which houses The 13th Street Gallery and The Nicholas Street Gallery for some more succulent art viewing. The opening receptions for James Freeman in The 13th Street Gallery and the Nebraska Lamp Builders Guild at The Nicholas Street Gallery will be from 6-10 p.m. on Sept. 7.

Also worth making a line for is the Garden of the Zodiac (341-1877), tucked in the upper level of the Passageway in the Old Market. Not only can you enjoy intense photography by Jack Fulton and James Hendrickson through Sept. 22, but you can also meander into the courtyard and locate your Zodiac face interpretation — one of the better kept secrets of Omaha, for sure.

"There's nothing like an opening reception," Prisbell says. "You can respond emotionally to some great art, talk to the artists (the stories behind the art are often fascinating), and — of course — sip a little wine, too."

Prisbell goes on to relay how these galleries are key in fostering recognition of local artists. Whether you're an avid lover of Thomas Kinkade or prefer the genuineness and clarity of artists who actually paint their

**Other fascinations are guaranteed when you visit the following galleries:**

• **Abbott/Pinkoff Gallery** — 614 S. 11th St., 659-5092. (Attached to Blue Barn Theatre.)

• **Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts** — 724 S. 12th St., 341-7130. (Far-out pieces by Bemis residents await you.)

• **Gallery 72** — 2709 Leavenworth St., 345-3847. (Colors beckon you to its quaintness.)

• **Jackson Artworks** — 1108 Jackson St., 341-1832. (Good stuff.)

• **Joslyn Art Museum** — 2200 Dodge St., 342-3300. (Free admission Saturdays before noon.)

• **Period Gallery** — 5174 Leavenworth St., 556-3218. (A UNO professor promotes the arts, please join him.)

own paintings, Omaha can easily supply both. Slip into your Sunday best and swagger over to an opening reception or two. Good times and great fun are promised to be had by all. And watch your step on the way out.

### from SMILE, page 13

headboard and "loves" the bed some more.

After visiting a house with a bathtub that didn't fit her, Smith begins to have a small breakdown. She declares the house too small, smashes head first into a wall and then falls onto the floor begging someone to "Just get me out of my misery, puh-leeze!" No one heeds her request. Between the slurring and the tantrums one can't help but wonder, what is she on?

Once the house hunting is finished for the day, Smith returns to her current residence to prepare for a party. Before leaving, Smith watches the news and says, "Why do they even show the news? You

know those bumper stickers that say, 'Sh\*t happens and then you die?' They should say, 'Sh\*t happens then you live,' 'cause that's the truth of it." I see it all so clearly now! Anna, you are just the queen of philosophy aren't you?

With phrases like "They keep wanting to pop out," "I didn't get to masturbate this morning, now its time to go home," "Huh? Pig Snot?" and "Hold on, I have to eat something," who knows what to expect next with Smith?

Just keep your fingers crossed they will use some of those phrases if they make an Anna Nicole Smith doll.

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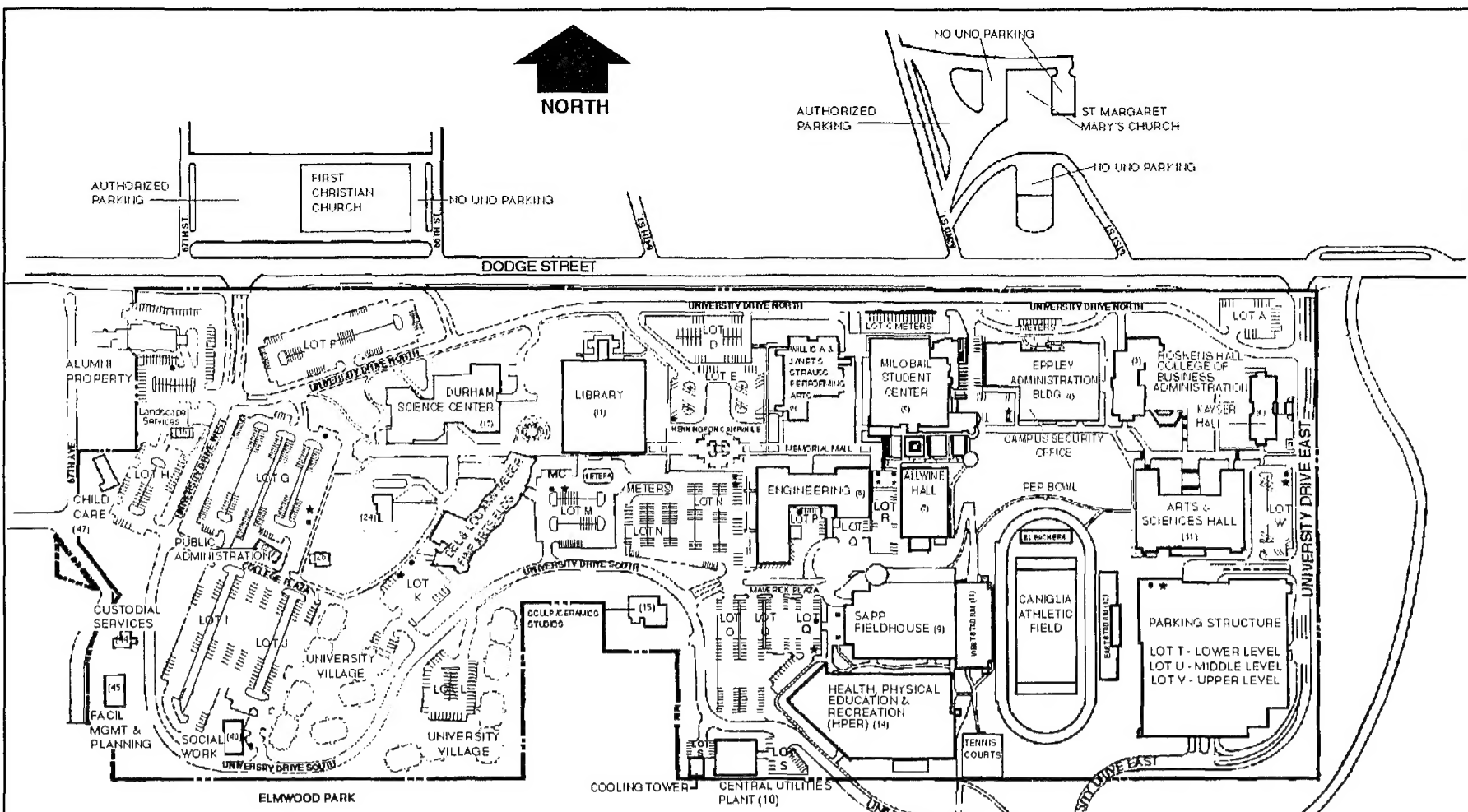


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### from SHS, page 9

scope of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays.

Nurses at the University of Nebraska Medical Center take calls after hours and on weekends and assist students in getting proper medical care.

International students can request a translator when calling this after-hours service, which can be reached using the SHS office phone number.

### from LIFE, page 9

an exam two days away, do you really think it's the best idea? The same principle goes for times even when you might not have any exams right around the corner. Your teachers tell you to study for a reason, and it isn't necessarily to keep you unnecessarily busy (well, not all the time).

There's a happy medium in every situation; the trick is finding yours. Some students actually prefer not to go out on weeknights, because it makes the weekend and infrequent special occasions even more enjoyable. After all, where's the fun in a snow day from school if you never go in the first place? The same goes for holidays and spring break. You learn to limit yourself and the rewards grow much greater.

Cory Kinman, a sophomore, learned the hard way what it takes to succeed in college.

"Everything requires a sacrifice," Kinman says. "You have to sacrifice things on a weekly basis. To succeed at anything, something has to be compromised."

After a while, when you've gotten into a habitual routine of studying, you'll be amazed at how much you can find solace in it. It may sound inconceivable — especially

SHS also offers health education programs. These include alcohol and drug awareness events, classroom presentations and general information on health-related topics.

Information for this article was taken from Student Health Services' Web site, [cid.unomaha.edu/~wwwshs/](http://cid.unomaha.edu/~wwwshs/).

to those who party hard — that you can get enjoyment out of studying but eventually you may come to look at it as a comforting, unwinding sort of end to the day.

Sometimes it's beneficial to study with your friends, especially if they share a class with you. This gives you a chance to get support from them when you are in question of a particular subject and vice versa, strengthening both of your studying. It's also nice to have friends to study with because you can chat with them for a while when you need a break.

"Go out with your friends to somewhere like Village Inn and study together," advises junior Melissa Harvey. "Take classes that your friends have. That way you can go out together and study and you're hanging out at the same time."

No matter what your previous work ethic was before you came to UNO, you will notice a difference between high school and college.

You can mold your future any way you want, but the clay you use gets tougher and more solidified as time goes on. Try not to get stuck in the future wishing you could have changed the past.

### from EAT, page 8

per ounce of salad.

The Rice Place serves various types of rice stir fried with different vegetables. It is open from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and the prices can vary from \$1.50 to \$3.95.

Durango's Deli is open from 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and the prices vary.

The last place in the main food court is Tomassito's, where you can get pizza or pasta — my preference is the lasagna. Prices can range from \$2.75-\$3.95 and Durango's is open from 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

The food court is very convenient for those students who don't have a lot of time to run out and grab something to eat at a fast food joint. Plus you don't have to leave, meaning you don't have to worry about losing your parking spot. The only bad thing about going to the food court is

### from SOLP, page 4

groups.

In addition to these organizations, SOLP also features the Cultural Awareness Program, which promotes the education and awareness of Latino, African-American, Native American and Asian American issues and heritage.

To meet each student's needs and enroll them into these different programs, SOLP has staff advisers available. For example, Treadway advises Student Government, the Emerging Leaders/Student Leadership team and the entire SOLP office.

Nowadays, most recruiters target not just students with the highest GPA or those who just come to school and leave but those who get involved in campus life.

### from LEARNING, page 5

supplemental instruction on selected courses. These are weekly group sessions focusing on a particular area of study, usually an area that is in high demand, where specific student questions are discussed as well as appropriate study methods for the subject.

Still another basic function of the center is the test preparation. From the LSAT to the PPST, the center provides many types of aid in preparing for a professional examination.

According to the center's 2001-02 report, there were 1,421 individual tutoring appointments and about 457 walk-in requests. Roughly 300 more students used the other services offered like test prep and the computer lab.

The center has eight to 10 undergraduate tutors, two graduate assistants and two full-time staff members,

### from LIBRARY, page 3

locate and use information more effectively."

All of this information may be overwhelming for some students. Never fear — the library staff will help anyone who needs assistance.

Library tours will be held between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Aug. 22-23 and 26-30 for anyone interested in learning more about the library.

Students who run into problems during the year can find help from the library staff.

"The easy answer is to come to the reference desk in the library," Wymer said. "We answer questions ranging from 'In what building is my class meeting?' to 'I have to write a 20-page paper and I'm having a hard time with my topic.'"

"Since not all questions arise when students are in the library, we also provide phone assistance," Wymer said.

Students can call 554-2661 with questions

that it can get pretty crowded because a lot of people go there.

Another option for students that many don't know about (unless they live in the Scott Hall Dorms) is the dorm buffet. The buffet includes a lot of options, from salads to a grilled chicken sandwich. It's nice because it is quiet and would be a perfect place to sit and study while you grab lunch.

The only bad thing is it's not on the main campus, but what are a few more minutes for a buffet that costs only \$5.50?

My personal favorite at the buffet would have to be the unlimited Lucky Charms available all day long.

There are many different options when dining on campus, but don't take my word for it, you'll have to try them for yourself.

"Recruiters often look at what you were involved in and how you balanced it with your academics," Treadway said.

Treadway said many students leaders move on into great careers from being involved at UNO.

"It's all part of the big picture, the well-rounded individual student," she said.

Students who have a special interest not already represented by an organization can also start one.

"There is something for everyone and it doesn't take a whole lot of time," Treadway said.

For more information about how to get involved in any of UNO's clubs and organizations, stop the SOLP office on the first floor of the Milo Bail Student Center or call 554-2711 for more information.

all of who are paid. In any given semester there are also a few volunteer tutors working solely for the love of knowledge.

Anyone looking to pursue a tutoring position should have good grades in their desired subject and two faculty recommendations.

"Tutoring will look good on a resume and is beneficial to the tutors because they are always reviewing the material of their interest," said Debbie Kimberlin, the center's learning skills specialist and coordinator of most tutoring functions.

Whether you are in need of help on that calculus problem, can't understand the difference between meiosis and mitosis or actually decide to do something productive with your free time, UNO's Learning Center provides valuable assistance as well as the opportunity to assist others and maybe even learn something yourself.

or send them via e-mail through "Ask-A-Librarian" on the library's Web site.

Students can also make appointments with a reference librarian if they have more in-depth questions.

Although the library is well equipped with research materials, it has other uses as well.

"We offer 75 computers, which are available for student use," Wymer said. "We also offer group study space at computers for the development of group projects and some classroom space on the third floor for small group discussion."

UNO's library has received national recognition for its value to students and continues to provide materials and assistance to those who take advantage of its many resources.

"We are fortunate in having an innovative and talented staff," Wymer said. "We have a strong commitment to student success."



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**from HPER, page 5**

exercising, strength training, using the stairs and going to the dentist," Daniels said. "As points accumulate, prizes are awarded at different levels."

T-shirts, water bottles, gym bags, calculators, movie passes and a heart rate monitor are just a few prizes handed out through Mav Tracks.

To use the facility, all a student needs is

**from MYTHS, page 15**

than four years. They just happen to have dropped out along the way and are currently pumping your gas. Your parents may accuse you of being lazy for taking more than four years, but you need to remind them of how times have changed. They didn't have to deal with tuition that is now floating somewhere above \$100 per credit hour, nor were they blessed with the opportunity to take such useful classes as University Seminar. The only people to actually graduate by the mythical four-year mark are those lucky few who had their tuition taken care of by mommy, the university or the Mafia.

7. With the shuttle bus, parking isn't so

**from CHARGE, page 7**

income.

—Expense of using credit may outweigh the perks.

Now that you have read about some of the pros and cons of credit cards, here are some tips to assist you in case you do decide to apply for credit:

—Keep track of how you spend your money. You will often be surprised at how much you spend on food, entertainment and other items each month.

—Spend within your income range. If you cannot afford it, do not buy it.

—Look for cards with low interest rates. Studentmarket.com advises that you be aware of low "teaser" rates that increase after an introductory period. Always know when and how much your rate will increase.

**from SUPPLIES, page 6**

every day, there is a good chance at least a few classes will be missed. Having friends in a class can help with this. Copying notes from one another can help ease the stress of missing the occasional class. Another benefit of in-class friends is having someone to study test material with.

For between classes, spare change for a snack might be one consideration to take. It is not uncommon for students to skip breakfast, leaving them with a pre-lunch roar in their bellies. Vending machines are located throughout campus and are more likely to

**from COLLEGE, page 4**

Students also have the parking advantage. They have gate cards and can just park on campus and be there for the whole day, but like all the other students they have to buy a parking pass. Students have access to do their own laundry and furnished rooms, which include water and sewer, water heating and trash.

But there are some downsides to living in dorms. There can be some extra expenses, such as the electricity bill, phone and cable bills. The rooms also fill up quickly. And let's not forget the "horror" roommate stories. But then again, some roommates turn out to be best friends.

Another option for students would be UNO's Off-Campus Housing Referral program. This program allows people to call

a valid student ID.

Daniels said starting this fall there will be a new process to enter the building.

"In effect this fall is going to be a scan system," he said.

The scan system will have the student scan his or her ID card and on a screen it will tell the student's status.

"I am looking forward to that system," he said.

bad.

Yeah, and the ozone layer is just fine too. Let me put it this way, if you don't have a 7 a.m. class or a garage pass, you are going to do be doing a lot of waiting in your car. Or if you take the shuttle bus, you are going to be doing a lot of waiting in a bus. Either way, you need something to pass the time. Obviously you're reading the newspaper now, but what to do after you've read every story two and a half times? Well, there are board games, do-it-yourself minor surgery kits or even homework.

8. These lists need to be 10 items long.

In college you can go at your own pace. I'm going to leave the 10-item lists to Letterman.

—Look for a card with a grace period if you intend to pay the balance in full each month. This will save you from being charged interest.

—Pay your bill on time each month.

—Try to pay your balance in full each month.

—Establish a low credit limit and stay within that limit.

—Limit the number of credit cards you have to limit your amount of debt.

—Stay organized and keep track of your bills each month.

By being responsible and keeping track of your expenses, you can maintain a credit card successfully. However, if this sounds like too much work to handle, stick to good ol' cash.

accept change than a wadded-up dollar bill.

A final item to consider having handy is duct tape. At first this idea may seem bizarre but it really can make a lot of sense. Duct tape has the amazing power of being able to fix multiple things — at least temporarily. Backpack breaks? Duct tape it back together. Notebook falling apart? Duct tape it. Rip in pants? Try some duct tape. Bumper falling off vehicle with no money to fix it? Duct tape. Roommates stealing things? Duct tape them. The uses are endless.

College can be bearable, sometimes even fun. It is what you make of it. Keep your sanity and everything will be fine.

in and list their name, opening a room or basement to college students to rent.

On the plus side, the student is moving out and gaining some independence and most places are close to campus. On the negative side, students are not sure with whom they will be living and they would have to follow the rules and guidelines of their "landlords."

For more information about this service, visit its Web site at [http://www.unomaha.edu/~wwwmbse/off\\_campus\\_housing\\_referral\\_serv.htm](http://www.unomaha.edu/~wwwmbse/off_campus_housing_referral_serv.htm) or call 554-2383. The office is located in the Milo Bail Student Center.

Where students choose to live during college life is going to have ups and downs no matter where they go. Students are going to get out of the housing situation what they put into it.

**from SLAMMED, page 14**

will be a tapped fortitude only making it better.

"We would love to feature more national music coming in and hook them up with our local bands — that to me is a complete scene," Messina says. "We're growing slowly but it's not so much a money thing; it's a hobby gone big."

**from QUIZ, page 14**

it'll work.

d. the number of credits I'm attempting this semester (I'm on the 16-year plan!)

8) I often find it difficult to —

a. spell the word

"antidisestablishmentarianism."

b. spell very easy words when I've been up all night writing a paper.

c. spell the word "difficult."

d. spell words.

9) My parents are sure I'm going to —

a. do very well at UNO.

b. attend college at UNO.

c. forget the "liquor before beer" rule and be hung over for all of my classes.

d. screw up until I'm well into my 40s.

10) My minor is —

a. an interesting and useful subject for me to study.

b. maybe not so useful, but interesting to me.

c. my girlfriend/boyfriend.

d. animal husbandry.

Now that wasn't so bad, was it?

If you answered "yes" to this question you automatically fail.

If you're still reading, here comes the hard part — math.

"I guess I just love the fact we're a part of the scene, I think a good part of it," Messina says. "We all have so many countless hours into this thing. It's hard to think about the past because we're to the point where we're like 'What can we do next?' To me it's still new. It's weird to think about what it used to be. People just expect us to be there, which is great because we plan on being there for a long, long time."

Give yourself four points for every "a" answer, three for every "b" answer, two points for every "c" answer, and one point for every "d" answer.

Now add them up.

Now divide that number by 3.14156789101112131415 and multiply it by 3.14156789101112131415.

Now check it out...

40 points — What are you doing at UNO? You should be at Harvard.

30-39 points — You're the brains of the UNO student body. Now tell the hands to applaud you.

20-29 points — It'll be a little rough but UNO is filled with students like you. I'm one, so ... ah forget it.

10-19 points — All right, here's what you have to do: As soon as you can, drop every class you're taking a get a cash refund. Take this money to a travel agent. Tell said travel agent you would like a ticket to Las Vegas (That's in Nevada in the United States, the country you're in right now). Go have a good time.

Remember not to spend all of your money on prostitutes and cocaine — save some for the blackjack table. And always split aces and double down when you have a face card and the dealer's showing a six.

0-9 points — You screwed up.

## What You Need to Know!

### Important Information from Cashiering/Student Accounts

**Who we are:** Our office accepts payments for tuition and fees and assists students with account inquiries. We cash checks up to \$25 and sell MAT bus tickets.

**Location:** Our office is located in the Eppley Administration Building room 109. The office is open 8 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday during the academic year and 7:30 am to 4:30 pm during the summer.

**Tuition Payment Deadlines:** During Fall and Spring semesters, bills are generated at the end of the 1st week of classes. Payment is due 18 days after the bill date. Bills for remaining balances will be generated at the end of the 4th week and payment is due 18 days later.

**Late Payment:** Each unpaid bill is subject to late payment fees. Students who register after the first payment due date will retroactively be assessed a Late Payment Fee for each payment due date prior to the day of registration. Students who do not make their required payments will have holds placed on their enrollment, financial aid and transcripts.

Late Payment Fee:

On balances of \$400 or less.....\$25.00

On balances over \$400.....\$50.00

*Late payment fees can be assessed a maximum of four times during a semester for a maximum charge of \$200.*

It is the responsibility of each student to know the tuition payment schedule, the late payment fee policy and the refund policy and deadlines.

Find additional information on the Web at [www.ses.unomaha.edu/cash](http://www.ses.unomaha.edu/cash)

Listings of Current Tuition and Fee Charges  
Tuition Billing and Payment Due Dates  
Pay Tuition and Fees with a Credit Card  
Tuition Refund Policy and Deadlines

Access Your Tuition Account  
Print a Copy of Your Tuition Account Detail  
General Office Policies  
How to Contact Our Office

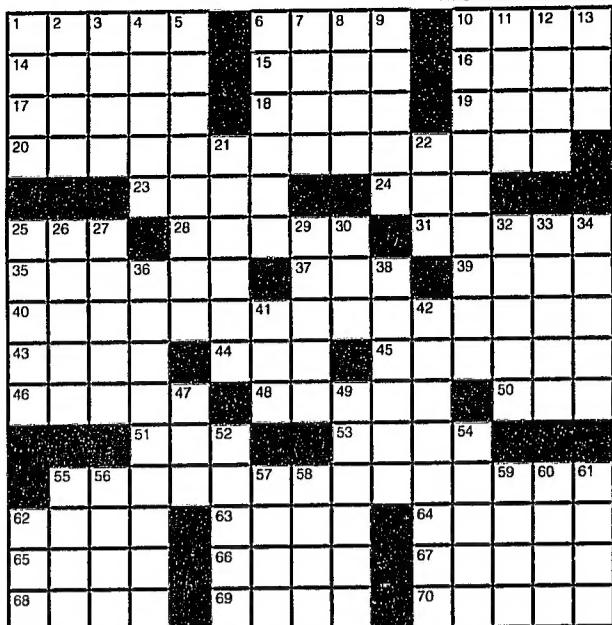
## THE Daily Crossword

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## ACROSS

- 1 Michigan and Ontario  
6 Swabbing tools  
10 Cutlet meat  
14 Representative  
15 Fiery gem  
16 "Othello" character  
17 Windfall  
18 Track event  
19 Low card  
20 80-day trip?  
23 Brainchild  
24 \_\_ Lanka  
25 Boom periods  
28 Topsoil  
31 Of sound quality  
35 Epistle  
37 Marry  
39 Actress Kedrova  
40 Burn one's bridges  
43 Writer Wiesel  
44 Hurry!  
45 Game played with 32 cards  
46 Right-hand page  
48 Musial and Getz  
50 Tee preceder  
51 Take to court  
53 Pen fluids  
55 Location of El Dorado?  
62 Not kosher  
63 Tiller  
64 Wide-eyed  
65 Indigo plant  
66 New York state canal  
67 D sharp  
68 Say it ain't so

By Stanley B. Whitten  
Highwood, IL

8/13/02

- 69 Horse shade  
70 Fencing confrontations

## DOWN

- 1 Tibetan priest  
2 Culture medium  
3 Las Vegas game  
4 Boredom  
5 SRO crowd  
6 Portable cannon  
7 Colorful marine fish  
8 Rate of speed  
9 Oodles and oodles  
10 Bitterly scathing  
11 British noble title  
12 Ripened  
13 Myrna of "The Thin Man"  
21 Lack  
22 Food scrap  
25 Digestive disorder  
26 Former D.C. hostess Mesta  
27 Follower of Zeno  
29 Canary sound  
30 One of those girls  
32 Wall recess  
33 French interjection  
34 Bowling alleys  
36 Sleeping-sickness  
38 Prokofiev opera, with "The"  
41 That guy's  
42 Of tragedy  
47 " \_\_ Gang"  
49 Flyers  
52 Old anesthetic  
54 Military mess  
55 Caen's river  
56 Layer of ore  
57 Champion  
58 Lamb's pen name  
59 Digestive fluid  
60 Oblong circle  
61 Moistens  
62 Small amount

## NEW TECHNOLOGY HITS THE MBSC FOOD COURT



Larry Hall takes advantage of one of the new computers in the MBSC food court. The computers allow students to access the Internet so they can check their e-mail or sign up for classes via E-BRUNO.

photo by Chris Machian

First National Bank of Omaha won a bid over Metro Health Services Credit Union and will now have three ATMs on campus. One will be located in the Peter Kiewit Institute and the other two in the Milo Bail Student Center (one on the upper and lower levels). The current ATM is scheduled to be removed sometime in early September, said Jim Welch, director of the student center.

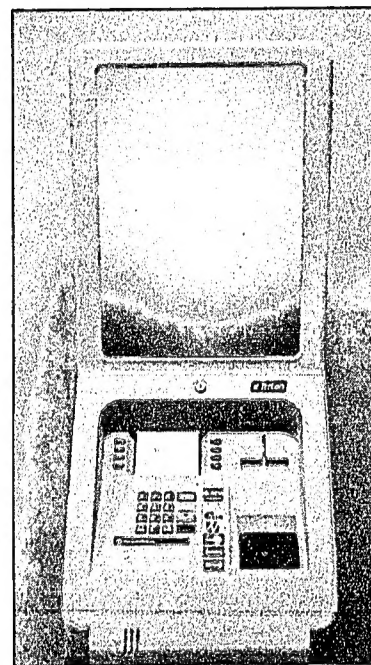


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The Moving Company

## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

(Est. 1937, under the auspices of the College of Education, School of HPER)

- *Invitational Showcase Series*
- *Artists in Residence in:*
  - *Swing Dance*
  - *Mexican Folklorico Dance*
  - *Theatre Dance*
  - *Modern Jazz*
- *Technique classes in Modern Dance*
- *International touring opportunities*
- *Dance al la carte with Omaha Modern Dance Collective*
- *Dance for the People Series (African, Near Eastern, Social, International Dance)*
- *Directors' Series*
- *Collaborations with UNO's Cultural Awareness Programming Office, Women's Studies Program and StoryConnect*

## » » AUDITIONS « «

for new company members

Sunday, September 15, 2002

2:00 - 4:30 p.m. Dance Lab - HPER Building

for more information contact: UNO's The Moving Company at 554-2670; Josie Metal-Corbin, Director or Lauren Kotulak, Associate Director

MANY NEW COMPANY POSITIONS AVAILABLE

## NOTICES

Advertising will be rejected that discriminates based on age, race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, marital status or sexual orientation.

## LOST &amp; FOUND

FOR ITEMS LOST AT UNO  
Contact Campus Security, EAB 100, 554-2648. Turned-in items can be claimed by a description and proper identification.

Advertising for items lost or found on the UNO campus will be published free in the Gateway for two weeks. Forms are available at the Office located in Milo Bail 1st Floor.

## Help Wanted

Now Hiring! Office Clerk/ Receptionist

Independent Insurance Agency is looking for an Office Clerk/Receptionist for an immediate position. Office experience is preferred. **Hours needed:** Monday 1:00pm-4:30pm Tuesday 1:00pm-4:30pm Wednesday 8:00am-4:30pm Thursday 1:00pm-4:30pm Friday 8:00am-4:30pm **Contact Sue at 397-2500** **Salary is negotiable!**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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